



Monmouth Symphony Orchestra
Young Artist Concerto Competition 2023-2024
Roy D. Gussman, Music Director
Barbara K. Santoro, Associate Conductor

Application Instructions

Eligibility

The Monmouth Symphony Orchestra Young Artist Concerto Competition is open to all current high school students who reside and attend school in Monmouth, Ocean, Middlesex, and Mercer Counties. Applicants are accepted on the following instruments: Woodwind, Brass, String and Tuned Percussion. We cannot accept applications for piano or vocal. Previous winners are ineligible.

Application Requirements

1. Print the application form and complete all information.
2. Enclose a non-refundable application fee of \$25.00 along with your completed application. Make check paid to the order of "Monmouth Symphony Orchestra".
3. Mail the application and fee to:

MSO Young Artist Concerto Competition
c/o Richard Sachs
5 Cedar Village Blvd.
Ocean Township, NJ 07712-8727

Applications are to be postmarked no later than **Friday, January 5, 2024**

4. A digital **audio** recording must be submitted using this link:

<https://tinyurl.com/2024MSOUpload>

Upload only **audio** files (with .wav .mp3 or .m4a extensions). You will get an email acknowledgment when your upload is successful. If there are any questions about how to do this, please contact Richard Sachs at msosachs@gmail.com.

***The file must be labeled with your First and Last name, Composer and Title of the piece, Movements and Instrument**

*Only **digital audio** recordings are accepted.

5. The selection submitted must be a work for solo instrument with orchestra and not exceed 20 minutes in length. The entire work should be submitted, and piano accompaniment is preferred.
6. The selection must have an orchestral accompaniment that is available.
7. The winner will be notified by **Monday, January 15, 2024**.
8. The winner of the YACC is expected to attend the rehearsals and concert on the dates listed on the back of these instructions.

Please do not apply if you cannot fulfill this obligation.

Concert information:

Date: Sunday, March 24, 2024

Time: 3:00 pm

Location: St. Rose of Lima Chapel, 51 Lincoln Place, Freehold, NJ

Rehearsals:

Mandatory Rehearsals:

Mondays: March 11 and March 18

Time: 7:30 pm

Location: Applewood Estates, 1 Applewood Drive, Freehold, NJ

Winner is asked to email a biography and JPEG photo as soon as possible to:

Barbara Santoro – msobsantoro@gmail.com

Please address all questions to Richard Sachs at msosachs@gmail.com



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Application - please PRINT all information

NAME _____ GRADE _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY/ZIP CODE _____

HOME PHONE _____ PARENT CELL _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN EMAIL _____

SCHOOL NAME _____

SCHOOL TOWN _____

INSTRUMENT _____

NAME OF SOLO _____

STUDENT: I agree to the terms outlined in the application instructions.

Signature of applicant _____

Date _____

PARENT/GUARDIAN: I agree to allow the MSO to use my child's name, biography, photograph and/or recording of the concerto concert in promotional and publicity materials, on the MSO website, on social media, and for grant applications as well as any other purposes to support the Symphony.

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date _____

