



August 18, 2017

To: Hampton Roads Area Music Teachers, Students and Parents

From: Barbara Eger, Education Director, York River Symphony Orchestra

Announcing the
17th Annual Young Artists Concerto Competition
Sunday, November 19, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.
First Presbyterian Church, 514 S. Armistead Ave, Hampton, VA.

Winning Performance with the York River Symphony Orchestra
Sunday, March 4, 2018 at 3:00 p.m.
Mary T. Christian Auditorium at TNCC, Hampton, VA

The York River Symphony Orchestra is a peninsula-based community orchestra of professional and amateur musicians, who for many reasons have joined together to perform. Each year we present a four concert series, and occasional extra performances for special events. One of our extended goals is to showcase talented young musicians, and give them a chance to perform with a symphony orchestra.

The purpose of this letter is to request your help in passing information about the Competition on to qualified musically-talented students that you teach or know. The competition is open to students ages 12-21 who live or study in the Hampton Roads area. We encourage talented, interested string (including guitar), woodwind, brass, percussion, piano, or vocal students to apply. A flyer, rules and procedures, and an application form can be downloaded from the competition section of the orchestra website www.yrso.org/YACC. Click on "Documents and Forms."

Music teachers: please copy the information sheet with competition rules and procedures and the application form, and distribute these to interested students you recommend; write an appropriate letter of reference for those who choose to apply.

Interested applicants: please download and print the above-mentioned forms, and plan to allow at least a week for your teacher to write the recommendation. Aim to mail materials by October 30.

The deadline for receipt of the application form, teacher recommendation letter and check to YRSO for \$25 is November 2. My home address is on application form.

If you have questions, feel free to contact me at bfeger@yahoo.com or 757-267-2959.

We look forward to making this yet another successful competition.

Sincerely yours,

Barbara Eger, Education Director

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