# **Phoenix Youth** Symphony Orchestras

# 63rd ANNUAL YOUNG MUSICIANS' COMPETITION CONCERTO COMPETITION **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

# LOCATION

Senior Division

First Round of the competition will be held in person on Saturday 1/7/23. TIME: TBD - Please hold availability for full day.

\*Time frames sent closer to the date. The full span of day for our judges will be 8:30a to 5p. Timeslots will be sent out 12/21/22. We understand many accompanists work with multiple students in the competition, that is the first factor we take under consideration when setting time slots. We also factor in students auditioning for multiple instruments and families. If you have a conflict during this time frame, please include this in your registration.

(Notification of advancement to finals will be made by January 7 11:59pm) Finalists announced via email by end of day January 7, 2023.

Finals, Sunday, January 8, 2023 (in person)

Junior Division Competition will be held in person on Saturday 1/7/23. 1520 South Longmore Mesa, AZ 85202 (Winners will be notified at the Award Ceremony on Sunday 1/8/23 at MCC PAC, as well as via email.)

Application Open: November 2, 2022 Application Due: December 9, 2022 Late Applications Due: December 19, 2022

Main Contact:

Corinn Moreno. Operations Manager Email: corinnmoreno@pysorchestras.org

### ELIGIBILITY

The Competition will have two divisions: a Senior division and a Junior division. The junior division is open to all non-professional music students who reside in the state of Arizona and who are in grades 6 - 8 on the dates of competition. The senior division for the 2023 YMC will be open only to current members of PYSO grades 9-12 at the time of the application deadline. The music student must be recommended by his/her private teacher, which is confirmed by his/her signature on the application. You may submit an application and pay your application fee online by visiting our website at www.pysorchestras.org.

## **APPLICATION and FEE DEADLINE**

The \$90 non-refundable fee for Senior Division and \$65 non-refundable fee for Junior Division and application must be completed online by 12/9/22. After 12/9/22 applications will be \$115 for Senior Division and \$90 for Junior Division. No applications will be accepted after 11:59 pm on 12/19/22.

\*Rules and details subject to change.

Accompanists name must be submitted to corinnmoreno@pysorchestras.org by 12/19/22.

# COMPETITION REQUIREMENTS

- Each contestant shall be required to perform one movement of a standard concerto, or a composition for solo instrument and orchestra 1. from memory.
- Contestants in the Junior and Senior Divisions may select from the Repertoire 2. List. https://pysorchestras.org/ymc/repertoire/ Contestants may select a concerto or solo with available orchestral accompaniment not on the list, but only with the recommendation of his/her private teacher and only with approval by PYSO's Artistic Director.
- To request a concerto not on the repertoire list send your request to Corinn Moreno by 12/15/22. PYSO reserves the right to deny any З. requests made after this date.
- 4 No student shall perform a composition which he/she performed in any previous Phoenix Youth Symphony Orchestras Young Musicians Competition.
- An accompanist is required for each division and round of the competition. Each contestant must provide his/her own accompanist. 5. Percussionists are exempt from having an accompanist if their piece does not have an orchestral accompaniment. If this is the case, they will not be eligible to perform with The Phoenix Symphony.

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- 6. Maximum playing time will be ten minutes and must include the cadenza. It is highly recommended you consult your private teacher on any necessary cuts. For the final round on Sunday, January 8, 2023 contestants will be stopped at 10 minutes, without exception.
- 7. Any change(s) to a contestant's repertoire must be reported to Corinn Moreno by 12/19/22.
- 8. Piano contestants will be given one minute to become familiar with the piano on stage prior to beginning their audition. Junior Division and existing PYSO Students competing in Senior division are the only applicants able to compete on piano.
- 9. For the finals, contestants will be scheduled in a manner that will allow them a maximum of 30 minutes of warm-up time prior to performing.
- 10. For the Junior Division and Senior Division first round, each contestant must provide 3 hard copies of their music (with all cuts clearly indicated) for the judge's consideration.
- 11. For the finals (Senior Division Only), contestants must provide three copies of the solo to be performed for the judges' use. The copies must not contain any marks identifying the contestant or teacher. The copies must have all measures numbered and any cuts clearly marked

## AWARDS

### **JUNIOR DIVISION – GRADES 6 THROUGH 8**

The first-place winner in each category (upper strings, lower strings, woodwinds, brass/percussion, and piano/harp) will receive a \$500 cash prize.

#### **SENIOR DIVISION – GRADES 9 THROUGH 12**

Up to twelve finalists will be selected to perform in the final round on Sunday 1/8/23. The top two winners will receive the opportunity to perform their concerto with The Phoenix Symphony at Symphony Hall, Wednesday April 19, 2023. In order to perform with The Phoenix Symphony, the winner must be available for all scheduled rehearsals: 4/15/2023, 10:00am – 12:30pm and 4/18/2023 6:30-9p (all rehearsal and performance dates/times are subject to change).

All finalists will win a scholarship to a camp or festival in order of their final ranking, \* For additional information, please see Scholarship Rules. The Phoenix Youth Symphony Orchestras require the top five finalists to perform at the Competition Winners Luncheon – Tuesday, February 21, 2023 at 11:30a, Paradise Valley Country Club.

\*For a winner to receive the summer scholarship they must remain in good standing as a member of PYSO through the end of the 2022-2023 season.

\*Due to the Covid-19 pandemic, camp scholarship availability and the opportunity to perform with The Phoenix Symphony are subject to change or cancellation at any time.

*Rules and details subject to change.		
Last Name of Competitor		
First Name of Competitor		
Instrument(s) competing in	_	
PYSO Ensemble if applicable		
Division Competing in		
Primary point of contact email (used on registration) Email		
Primary point of contact phone		
Signature of Competitor	Date	
Private Teacher Name		
Private Teacher Email		
Private Teacher Phone		

Private Teacher Signature (To be collected by PYSO after Student submits) \_