



Philharmonic Center *for the Arts*
5833 Pelican Bay Blvd. Naples, FL 34108
the **PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA**

AUDITION GENERAL INFORMATION

- You must be 11 years of age through high school senior and reside in Collier or Lee County to be a member of the Philharmonic Center Youth Orchestra. If you attend public or private schools you are expected to **be a member of your school band or orchestra.**
- Be prepared to **play a solo piece** of your selection, totaling 2-3 minutes. This piece should demonstrate your technique and your tonal and lyrical qualities. Remember this is the piece to showcase your ability, so select a piece that will best demonstrate this for the judges. Bring an extra copy of this selection for the judges.
- Be prepared to **play major scales** – two octaves – in keys with up to three sharps and three flats.
- **Percussion instruments:** Be prepared to play the instrumental excerpts we provide; in addition you will be asked to play a long buzz roll at mezzo-forte, paradiddles, alternating flams and two octave scales.
- Be prepared to **play the instrumental excerpts** that are included in this packet of information. Prepare these pieces as completely as you prepare your solo piece. Bring your copy of the excerpt to the audition.
- You will be asked to **sight read** a short passage.

Please remember to bring:

- 1) The registration form.
- 2) Two copies of your solo piece. (One is for the judges.)
- 3) The musical excerpts you are required to play.

Call 254-2612 to schedule your individual audition time. Arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your appointed audition time so that you can warm-up.

NEXT AUDITION: September 8, 2011

IF ACCEPTED INTO THE PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA

Rehearsals are on Sundays. Approximate times: 2-4:20pm for strings; 3-5:15pm for all other instruments. The annual tuition is \$250.00. (\$125 if joining mid-term.) A music deposit of \$35.00 is also required and will be refunded when all music is returned. Limited scholarships are available.



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PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA

AUDITION REGISTRATION FORM 2011-12 Season

Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____ Zip: _____

Parent name(s) _____ Home Phone: _____

Parent Email: _____ Student Email: _____

Parent Cell Phone: _____ Student Cell Phone: _____

Circle & list one: Father's work phone number/Mother's work phone number: _____

School you will attend Sept 2011: _____ Grade Sept 2011: _____

Age: _____ Birth date: _____ Instrument: _____

Are you a member of your school orchestra/band? _____

Do you take private lessons? _____ If so, how long? _____ Teacher's name: _____

The Philharmonic Youth Orchestra rehearses 2 ½ hours on Sunday afternoons. Will you be able to attend weekly rehearsals at this time? _____

Call Janet Johnson at 254-2612 to schedule your audition date/start time.

AUDITION LOCATION:

Auditions are held at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts,, located at 5833 Pelican Bay Blvd.

Directions from Ft. Myers: If traveling US 41 south you will pass through Vanderbilt Beach Road stoplight, then Gulf Park stoplight. The next stoplight is Pelican Bay Blvd. Turn right. Go 2 blocks to Myra Janco Daniels Blvd. Turn left and turn left again at the alley. Park in the parking lot on your left (north). Follow posted signs through the Pavilion gates and garden. Enter Hayes Hall west doors to the registration desk.

Directions from downtown Naples: Take US 41 North past the Pine Ridge Road intersection. The next stoplight is Pelican Bay Blvd. Turn left. Go 2 blocks to Myra Janco Daniels Blvd. Turn left and turn left again at the alley. Park in the parking lot on your left (north). Follow posted signs through the Pavilion gates and garden. Enter Hayes Hall west doors to the registration desk.

**PLEASE BRING THIS COMPLETED FORM ALONG WITH
\$15.00 AUDITION FEE IF NOT AN EXISTING MEMBER OF THE PYO.
IF PAYING BY CHECK, MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:
The Philharmonic Center for the Arts.**



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PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA
PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL BAND/ORCHESTRA 2011-12

Auditionee Name: _____ Home Phone: _____
Address: _____
School: _____ Band/Orchestra Teacher name: _____
(Circle one)

The Philharmonic Youth Orchestra expects all members to belong to their school band or orchestra. The PYO believes school bands and orchestras provide important opportunities to develop musicianship, to develop skills in ensemble playing, to broaden exposure to band and orchestra repertoire and to learn to play under various conducting styles.

Which musical group will you be scheduling for next year? orchestra band neither (circle one)

If you selected “neither” we would like to urge you to reconsider. Please read the following information.

1. Did you know that you must be enrolled in your school band or orchestra class in order to participate in:

All State Orchestra
All State Band

All County Honors Band and Orchestra

Florida Band Association and Florida Orchestra Association Solo and Ensemble
Music Performance Assessment
FBA and FOA Group Music Performance Assessment

2. Did you know that juniors and seniors will be able to take honors-credit band and orchestra next year? (You receive weighted credit/more points for the class.)

3. Did you know that being a band or orchestra member looks very good on your resume and can help with your college scholarships?

One Naples music teacher cites an example:

“I know of two students in Florida who did not get accepted into Harvard because they dropped out of their school music program to take an AP class so they could be #1 or #2 in their senior class. The recruiter said they wanted well-rounded students and students that stayed with a program. Parents need to be aware that grades are not all that counts when colleges make entrance decisions - at least with quality schools that are competitive.”

Thank you for reconsidering your participation in your school’s orchestra/band program.

Please return this completed form to
Janet Johnson
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