



2012 Young Artists Competition at the CHICAGO SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

presented by Fidelity INVESTMENTS

APPLICATION

To enter, complete this application form and submit it together with an audio-video copy of your performance act in DVD, VHS, mini DVD or mini DV format (no other formats will be accepted), to Ingrid Burrichter, YAC at the Chicago Symphony Orchestra, 220 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, IL 60604.

Applications for the competition will be accepted beginning Wednesday, November 9, 2011. **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 PM (CT) ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 20, 2012.** Sponsor, Chicago Symphony Orchestra and judges are not responsible for late, lost, damaged, postage-due, incorrect, or misdirected entries.

Please refer to the Official Rules of the 2012 Young Artists Competition at the Chicago Symphony Orchestra for important information about the competition. Certain capitalized terms used in this application form are defined in the Official Rules.

ABOUT THE STUDENT

If the act is an ensemble, a separate application form must be completed for each student. All application forms must be submitted in one package for the entire ensemble.

Each entrant must be a student in good standing in grades 9 through 12 attending any public, private, parochial, home or community music school in Chicago, IL, must be between 13 and 19 years of age as of **November 9, 2011**, and must be a legal U.S. resident or in the process of obtaining U.S. citizenship.

Name of Student

Male/Female _____ Date of Birth _____ / _____
Month Year

Grade _____

Name of the school that the student attends (indicate "home-schooled" if that is the case)

Instrument or Vocal Type

Years of Experience _____

List any previous performance experience this student has. Please include competitions, festivals, recitals or community events:

ABOUT THE ACT

Type of Act/Performance

Name of Act

Names of All Students in Act:

If act is an ensemble, provide all names of students performing as part of the ensemble.
Once names are submitted, no substitutions can be made.

Title and Composer of Piece of Music Submitted

Choose a musical piece that best represents the act's talents. If the act is selected as a Finalist to perform in the live audition phase of this competition, this is the piece that the act must perform at the audition on Sunday, February 12, 2012.

Why do you believe your act should be selected to perform at a Chicago Symphony Orchestra concert at Symphony Center?
What unique attributes does your act/performance offer?

What, if any, other performance-ready repertoire does your act have?

If your act is an ensemble, list previous performance experience as an ensemble:
Please include competitions, festivals, recitals or community events.

Please provide any other information about your act:

Please provide five (5) adjectives that describe you and your act:

ABOUT THE MENTOR

Each entrant is required to have an adult person who will act as the entrant's Mentor for the competition. The Mentor must be a teacher (of music or any other subject) or administrator at the entrant's high school, a private music instructor, or an administrator or staff member of a local community, music or arts organization, or a parent of home-schooled students. (*Entrant: Please have your Mentor complete this portion of the application.*)

MENTOR INFORMATION:

(Mentor, please provide the information requested below and sign where indicated below.)

Mentor's Name and Title

Name of Mentor's Organization/School

Primary Phone

Mentor's Email Address

Mentor's Relationship to Student/Act

As the mentor of the student named in this application, I hereby certify that I will assist the student with his or her preparation for the competition; I will do my best to attend auditions, rehearsals and other meetings involving the student; and, if the student is selected as a winner, the final performance at the June 20, 2012, Chicago Symphony Orchestra concert. I understand that if the student is chosen as a winner, he or she must attend all scheduled rehearsals in their entirety in order for him or her to participate in the June 20 Chicago Symphony Orchestra concert and be eligible for prizes.

I give the Sponsor (FMR LLC), the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and those working on their behalf permission to contact me about the competition via the telephone number and email address that I have provided above.

By signing below, I confirm that I have read, and I understand and agree to, the foregoing statements in this Mentor Information section, and that the information I have provided above is true and correct.

Mentor's Signature

Date

IMPORTANT:

Grand Prize Winners will be called to rehearse between March 1, 2012, and June 20 2012, as well as a technical rehearsal on stage at Symphony Center on Tuesday, June 19, 2012, 12:00 pm - 2:30pm. Students must agree to be available for all rehearsal dates. If a student cannot attend rehearsals or the concert scheduled for June 20, he or she should not apply to participate in this competition. For the live performance during the Chicago Symphony Orchestra concert on June 20, 2012, a Grand Prize Winner may be asked to perform an alternative music selection in the individual or group's current repertoire chosen by the Chicago Symphony Orchestra that is different than the music selection performed in the individual or group's application and/or live audition. If a Grand Prize Winner does not agree to perform an alternative music selection, the prize(s) to be awarded to such Grand Prize Winner will be forfeited and, at Sponsor and Chicago Symphony Orchestra's discretion, an alternate Grand Prize Winner may be selected by the judges.

STUDENT:

By signing below, I certify to the following: The information provided in this application is true and complete. I give permission for the competition manager and any and all parties related to this competition to contact me with information and details about the competition. I understand that the Sponsor (FMR LLC), the the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and those working on their behalf may use the email address I have provided below to communicate with me for purposes related to this competition. I have read, understand and agree to be bound by the foregoing and the Official Rules for this competition (a copy of which was made available to me at www.cso.org/yac).

Student's Name (please print)

Student's Address (Street Address)

(City, State, Zip Code)

Student's Primary Phone Please select: cell home

Student's Home Phone (or primary phone for parent/guardian)

Student's Email Address

Student's Signature

Date

PARENT/GUARDIAN (FOR MINORS UNDER 18 YEARS OLD): If the student has not reached the age of 18 in his/her state of residence, signature of his/her parent or legal guardian is required:

By signing below, I certify to the following: As the parent/guardian of the student named in this application, I approve this application, confirm that the information provided in this application is true and complete, and give my child permission to participate in this competition. I also give permission for the competition manager and any and all parties related to this competition to contact my child with information and details about the competition. I understand that the competition manager and other parties related to this competition will use my child's email address provided in this application to communicate with my child for purposes related to this competition. I understand that if my child is chosen as a winner, he or she must attend all rehearsals between March 1, 2012, and June 20, 2012, in their entirety in order to participate in the June 20, 2012, concert and meet the other eligibility requirements described in the Official Rules. I also certify that if my child is chosen as a winner, he or she will be able to participate in the live performance on June 20, 2012. On behalf of myself and my child, I have read, understand and agree to be bound by the foregoing and the Official Rules for this competition (a copy of which was made available to my child at www.cso.org/yac). For a copy of the Official Rules, visit www.cso.org/yac or email YAC@cso.org.

Parent's/Guardian's Name (please print)

Parent's/Guardian's Signature

Date

Parent's/Guardian's Primary Phone