

MUNCIE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA 2017 MSO YOUNG ARTIST COMPETITION

Rules and Regulations

1. **ELIGIBILITY:** Candidates must reside in Indiana and/or be enrolled in an Indiana school or home school program. Previous winners may not enter a second time in the same division on the same instrument.
Junior Division: grades 6 - 8 **Senior Division:** grades 9 - 12

1. **APPLICATION PROCEDURE:** Entrants must send a fully completed entry form (attached) and a nonrefundable entry fee (\$60 - Senior Division and \$35 - Junior Division) **postmarked no later than December 7, 2016**, to the MSO office. Audition CD may be required by December 14, 2016, should the number of applicants exceed the competition time allotted.

2. **COMPETITION RULES:**
 - Both Junior and Senior division contestants must play a concerto movement or classical solo piece with piano accompaniment. The chosen piece must be a composition for soloist and orchestra. The chosen piece must be easily obtained through the Ball State Symphony Orchestra library or a rental company. Please ask if in doubt. **If the winner's piece is a rental, it is the responsibility of the performer/winner to cover the cost of the rental.**
 - Music for the competition and performance must be played from memory. The winner must perform the piece played in competition, unless discussed with the MSO Artistic Director.
 - Applicants must provide piano accompaniment for the competition and are responsible for their accompanist's schedule. Three legible copies of the applicant's music must be made available to the judges on the day of the competition.
 - **Each applicant will be allotted 10 minutes for their performance.** Time allotted for all performance may be extended beyond 10 minutes if time allows and at the discretion of the judges. All competitors will know of any such extension at registration on the competition day. (Please note that the winner of each division will perform no longer than **12 minutes**, or at the discretion of the Artistic Director, when performing with the Muncie Symphony Orchestra.)
 - Competition times are consecutive and approximate. Applicants will be notified prior to the competition regarding their approximate competition time, and should register at least thirty minutes prior to that time.
 - No personal recording equipment or photography is allowed at the competition or at MSO rehearsals or performances. The MSO organization will have both a photographer and a videographer present during the competition.
 - Each performer will receive a professionally produced DVD of the individual's competition performance at no additional cost to the performer.

3. **WINNERS AND PRIZES:** One Senior soloist and one Junior soloist may be selected as winners. All prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the judges and the judges have the right to select no winners.

For further information, contact the MSO at (765) 285-5531 or
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