

The Symphony of Westchester

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Dear Teacher:

I am very pleased to share with you *The Symphony of Westchester's* plans for our 2016 – 2017 season to include our Third Annual Young Artist Competition

Competition Details

- The competition is open to all students, elementary – high school through June of 2017.
- The concert will take place on Sunday, February 12th, 2017 at 3:00 p.m., at Iona College, as part of our *Family Concert*, in our four concert series there. The snow date for this concert will be Saturday, February 11th, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.
- The competition winner will perform one movement of a standard concerto of the Baroque or Classical music period (Haydn or Mozart, only), with the Symphony of Westchester.
- The competition is open to all instrumentalists.
- There will be a panel of three distinguished musicians adjudicating this competition in two rounds; Wednesday, November 16th, 2016 beginning at 5 p.m., and Friday, November 18th 2016, beginning at 6 p.m, and will be held at Iona College in the Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium.

To obtain the application form please visit our homepage of our website at:

www.thesymphonyofwestchester.org

Thank you for your interest!

Yours truly,


Barry Charles Hoffman, Founder and Artistic Director
The Symphony of Westchester

(formerly The Westchester Chamber Symphony)

About The Symphony of Westchester

The Symphony of Westchester is a professional orchestra based at Iona College (since 1996) with a four concert series. Founded as the smaller Westchester Chamber Orchestra in 1984 by Barry Charles Hoffman, the orchestra has had continual growth over the years. Maestro Hoffman expanded the orchestra size in 2010 and renamed it The Westchester Chamber Symphony . In 2013, Maestro Hoffman expanded the orchestra again and renamed it The Symphony of Westchester. We are known in Westchester County and surrounding area for our first rate and inspiring performances, world class soloists, exciting and engaging programming, as well as the commissioning and premiering of meaningful new works. Noted soloists have included: Glenn Dicterow, Stanley Drucker, Elmar Olivera, David Starobin, Carol Wincenc and many others. In 2000, The Symphony of Westchester was given Arts Westchester's Contribution to Education and Community Award for our Annual Jazz Institute for Homeless Children.

About Barry Charles Hoffman

Barry Charles Hoffman, Founder and Artistic Director of The Symphony of Westchester, received his Bachelors Degree in Violin Performance and Masters Degree in Music Education from the Manhattan School of Music. Private conducting studies were with both John Miner and David Gilbert. Maestro Hoffman, attended both the Pierre Monteux School for Advanced Conducting Studies as well as the Los Angeles Philharmonic Conducting Institute.

Thank you very much for your time and thoughtfulness in both recommending and encouraging your qualified students for this exciting event in our community!

Yours truly,

*Barry Charles Hoffman, Founder and Artistic Director
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The Symphony of Westchester Presents:

2016 - 2017 – Third Annual Young Artist Competition

The winning contestant will perform one movement of a concerto, from the Baroque or Classical music period (Haydn or Mozart only) with The Symphony of Westchester on Sunday, February 12th 2017, at 3:00 p.m., in the Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium, at Iona College, in New Rochelle, as part our *Family Concert*, in our series at Iona College. The snow date will be Saturday, February 11th, 2017 at 3:00 p.m.

Date of Auditions – Wednesday, November 16th 2016, beginning at 5:00 p.m. A second finalist round will be held on Friday, November 18th 2016, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Both competition rounds will be held in the Christopher J. Murphy Auditorium, in the Murphy Science Building, 715 North Ave., New Rochelle, New York, 10801. Both rounds are open to the public.

APPLICATION FORM (*please print*)

Name of student _____ Name of parent/guardian _____

Address _____ Email address _____

Phone number _____ Name of School _____ Grade _____

Years of study _____ Private teacher's name _____

*Composer, title and movement of the concerto on which you plan to audition.

Yes, I give my child _____ permission to register and audition for The Symphony of Westchester's *2016 - 2017 Young Artist Competition*.

Parent's Signature _____

In my opinion, this student is qualified to audition for The Symphony of Westchester's *2016 - 2017 Young Artist Competition*.

Private teacher's signature _____

*Applicants must provide the judges with one original solo part of the piece to be performed.

Application fee is a non-refundable \$25 made payable to: The Symphony of Westchester. For any questions, please email us at – info@thesymphonyofwestchester.org. Please return both the check and completed form to the address below.

Applications must be postmarked no later than November 1st, 2016, and addressed to:

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