

The Young Musicians Foundation of Colorado

Application for 2016 Solo Auditions

Application, CD, and \$60.00 non-refundable fee must be postmarked by November 15, 2016

Name _____ Instrument _____

Social Security Number _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Birth date _____ Age (as of 12/31/16) _____ U.S. Citizen [] YES [] NO

Years of Colorado Residency (minimum of 2) _____ Phone # () _____

Education Level _____ Current School _____

E-mail Address _____ Years of Instrumental Study _____

Most Recent Teacher _____

Required Teacher Signature _____

Performance CD/Audition repertoire of at least 2, but no more than 3 contrasting works (no full concertos). Please be certain there is no talking on the CD - no name or repertoire announcements! Read the attached "YMF Guide to Audition CD" for further guidelines/requirements.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Please provide the contact information for your instructor, guardian, and at least three friends/supporters of your musical pursuits who we can include on the YMF mailing list for notification of concerts, events, and donation opportunities:

1. Instructor _____ Email _____ Address _____

2. Guardian _____ Email _____ Address _____

3. Name _____ Email _____ Address _____

4. Name _____ Email _____ Address _____

5. Name _____ Email _____ Address _____

6. Name _____ Email _____ Address _____

Please use the space below to briefly highlight any significant repertoire, honors/achievements, reviews, or other pertinent information related to your performance history:

I understand the application procedure and declare the information on this application form to be correct.

I understand that I must be available for live auditions held during the last week of December 2016.

I further understand, if I am chosen as an audition winner, that in order to retain YMF eligibility I will:

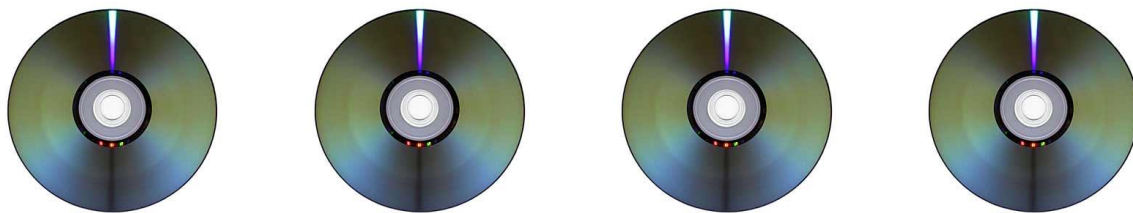
- 1. Perform at one YMF sponsored concert per year;**
- 2. Maintain legal Colorado residency;**
- 3. Acknowledge YMF roster membership and support in publicity;**
- 4. Maintain amateur status (not sign with professional agency representation).**

Name of Applicant _____ Signature _____

Parent signature, if under 18 _____ Date _____

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Preparing Your Audition CD



- Your CD should contain at least 2, but no more than 3 contrasting works (no full concertos please).
- Limit the total recording time on your CD to 15 minutes. To fulfill this requirement you may select only part(s) of a particular piece. Remember, though, if selected for a live audition, you will be responsible for performance of the entirety of the same pieces contained on your CD.
- Assign one individual track number for each piece. Either on the CD or accompanying sheet provide an index of pieces performed and their specific track number.
- To assure anonymity, **NO NAME OR REPERTOIRE ANNOUNCEMENTS OR OTHER TALKING ARE ALLOWED ON THE CD.**
- The highest quality possible will ensure that your talents are judged fairly. Your music teacher may be able to assist you with resources or referrals to help you produce a high quality audition CD.
- Avoid labeling your CD with your name or other identifying marks. YMF will label each CD with a number prior to judging to ensure anonymity.
- Retain extra copies of your audition CD as YMF will be unable to return your CD following judging.

To reiterate, while we recognize that expensive professional recording is not a requirement for YMF auditions, the highest possible quality recording will best enable the judges to effectively evaluate your performance.

Thank you for your interest in auditioning for membership on the 2017-2018 YMF Roster. Audition forms and additional information on YMF and the audition process can be found on our website:

www.youngmusiciansfoundation.org

YMF Solo Instrument Auditions - Fact Sheet

Application Deadline:

November 15, 2016

Final Live Auditions:

TBD during last week of December, 2016

Purpose: To select up to 12 winners for placement on the YMF Roster of Young Artists for two years.

Forms/Info Available: www.youngmusiciansfoundation.org

These winners are eligible for financial assistance toward expenses related to pursuing a career in classical music. These expenses might include master classes, competitions, summer institutes, accompanist, or other career development needs, excluding basic education. Each winner will also be required to perform once each year in a YMF Artist Showcase Concert.

Annual Funding for 2015/2016 Roster Members were as follows:

Age: up to 14	\$1,000/year
Age: 15-17	\$1,500/year
Age: 18+	\$2,000/year

There are also individual awards for the top audition performers in each age group. In 2014 awards totaled \$2,100.

Requirements: Application may be made by any classical instrumental soloist (strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion, piano, harp or guitar) who:

- Aspires to a professional performance career in classical music
- Is age 20 or younger on December 31, 2016
- Holds U.S. citizenship and legal Colorado residency for at least two years
- Submits the official application form, a non-refundable application fee of \$60, and a quality CD (as specified below) by November 15, 2016
- Will remain a legal resident of Colorado for the years 2017/2018. (Enrollment at out of state college does not void roster membership, so long as roster member's legal residence remains in Colorado).
- Maintains amateur status (does not sign with professional agency representation)

Audition Repertoire and Procedure: Submit a minimum of two, but no more than three, works which must demonstrate contrasting style periods. (Pianists should not submit a concerto performance). Preliminary judging will be done on the basis of the CDs. Final round live auditions will be in the Denver metro area during the last week of December, 2016, **and will consist of the same repertoire submitted on the CDs.** The complete application must be **postmarked no later than November 15, 2016.** Applications submitted after that date cannot be considered. Submit completed applications and CD to:

YMF Audition Applications
c/o Brian Cornell
2907 Pierson Way
Denver, CO 80215
Email: bcornell@gmail.com