

Sound Symphony 2023 Concerto Competition

The Sound Symphony Orchestra is sponsoring its annual solo competition to be held on Friday, April 28, 2023 and Saturday, April 29, 2023 at a private home in Islip, NY. **We regret we are not able to uphold requests for specific dates and times.**

The competition is open to instrumentalists (with the exception of pianists - no pianists for the 2023 competition year) and vocalists. The orchestra is starting a new policy where we will rotate years accepting pianist applicants into the competition to encourage a variety of repertoire. Pianists will be eligible to apply for our 2024 competition.

Previous winners are not eligible to audition within 3 years of winning the competition. Contestants must be under the age of 19 as of January 1, 2024 to be eligible. The winner(s) will perform as a featured soloist with the Sound Symphony Orchestra at one of its 2023-2024 season concerts.

Suitable repertoire includes any solo piece with orchestral accompaniment. **All works must be memorized and performed in their entirety (all movements of the piece are required) for the audition.** Contestants will be judged on overall performance, style, and suitability of performance with orchestral accompaniment. All contestants will be auditioned privately. **Accompanists are mandatory and the responsibility of the contestants.** A Steinway model M baby grand is available for accompanists. The judges reserve the right to select more than one winner or to select no winner. The decisions of the judges are final.

Applications must be postmarked no later than March 27, 2023 and must include a non-refundable \$60.00 application fee, in the form of a check or money order, payable to Sound Symphony, Inc. Receipt of the completed application will be acknowledged via email. Location of the home and audition times will be specified in the email. Please include a biography with your application. Judges will not be privy to the biography until after the winner(s) is/are selected. Winner(s) will be featured with their bios and pictures in our concert program.

Name: _____

Birth date: _____

Email address: _____

Phone #: _____

Mailing address: _____

Instrument: _____

Concerto (name & composer): _____

Signature of parent (if under age 18): _____

Mail this completed form + biography + \$60 check made out to Sound Symphony, Inc by **March 27, 2023** to:

Attn: Brit Schlude

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