



Rapides Symphony Orchestra
Concerto Competition
Saturday, January 21, 2017

The Rapides Symphony Orchestra Concerto Competition is a bi-annual event established to stimulate and nurture interest among aspiring young artists in Louisiana.

DIVISIONS

Youth: Ages 10 – 18 (on the audition date)

Young Adult/Collegiate: Ages 19 – 25 (on the audition date)

One winner will be chosen from each division. The Youth Division winner will be awarded a cash prize of **\$500.00**; the Young Adult/Collegiate Division winner will be awarded a cash prize of **\$1,000.00**. The winners will perform with the Rapides Symphony Orchestra on March 14, 2015 at the Coughlin-Saunders Performing Arts Center in Alexandria, Louisiana.

RULES:

1. Applications must be received not later than 5:00 p.m. of Friday, January 6, 2017. A non-refundable application fee of \$10.00 in a cashier's check, personal check or money order must be included with each application and must be payable to the Rapides Symphony Orchestra, Inc.
2. The competition is limited to residents of the State of Louisiana and/or those enrolled in school in Louisiana.
3. Competitors will be required to perform one or more movements of a standard concerto or a single movement work, or a concert piece for which orchestral accompaniments are available. **Total performance time should not exceed fifteen minutes. Memorization is recommended, but not required.**
4. The competition is limited to instrumental soloists only.
5. Compositions must be in their original form and no transcriptions will be accepted. Each contestant will perform the solo part of his or her selection in its entirety; however, orchestral interludes may be abbreviated at the performer's discretion. Only live accompaniments are permitted. The entrant will provide the judges with an original score; no photocopies will be allowed.
6. The decision of the judges will be final. If performances do not meet the judges' standards, no winner will be selected.
7. Winners who perform with the Rapides Symphony Orchestra are ineligible to compete in the same division the following competition.
8. The music selected for the competition must be that intended for performance. Substitutions in repertoire to be performed with the Rapides Symphony Orchestra will not be allowed after the winners are declared.
9. Prize money will be awarded at the performance with the Rapides Symphony Orchestra. If for some reason the declared winner is not able to perform, the alternate will perform and receive the cash award. The performance will be in the Coughlin-Saunders Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. on Saturday, March 18, 2017 with rehearsals on Friday, March 17, 2017 and Saturday, March 18, 2017. Rehearsal times will be announced later.
10. Entrants will be notified of the audition time schedule prior to January 13, 2017.
11. Names of the winners and alternates will be announced following the completion of each division.
12. **Each entrant will make provisions for his/her own accompanist.** Competitors can contact the symphony office if they would like the name of a competent local accompanist whom they could engage.
13. The Rapides Symphony Orchestra audition committee reserves the right to review and approve or disqualify applicants on the basis of their qualifications.



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AUDITION APPLICATION FORM - Youth (10 – 18)

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Please include with a completed and signed application:

- A short biography
- A non-refundable check or money order for \$10.00 made out to **Rapides Symphony Orchestra**

Application and enclosures should be mailed to:

Rapides Symphony Orchestra, Inc.
1101 4th Street, Suite 201C
Alexandria, LA 71301

or e-mailed (with youtube link) to:

manager@rapidessymphony.org

Please type or print legibly

Name _____ Age _____ Date of Birth _____

School Name _____

School Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell phone _____ Email _____

Social Security Number _____ Instrument: _____

Composition to be performed:

Title _____

Composer _____ Performance time _____

Publisher _____

Teacher information:

Present Teacher _____

Teacher's Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

I agree, if chosen by the judges, to appear with the Rapides Symphony Orchestra, Inc. in concert on Saturday, March 18, 2017, and at the necessary rehearsals on Friday, March 17, 2017 and Saturday, March 18, 2017, and to meet with the conductor at a mutually agreeable time for a conference prior to the rehearsals. I agree to the use of my name and photograph as a winner of the competition in future promotional materials.

Entrant's Signature

Parent/Guardian Signature (if Applicant is under 18 years of age)

**Audition application form may be photocopied if additional forms are needed.*



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Name _____ Age _____ Date of Birth _____

School Name _____

School Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Cell phone _____ Email _____

Social Security Number _____ Instrument: _____

Composition to be performed:

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Composer _____ Performance time _____

Publisher _____

Teacher information:

Present Teacher _____

Teacher's Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

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