



Philharmonic Center for the Arts  
5833 Pelican Bay Blvd. Naples, FL 34108  
the **PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA**

**Thank you for your interest in the Philharmonic Youth Orchestra.  
Here is the information you will need in order to audition with our orchestra.**

**AUDITION GENERAL INFORMATION**

- You must be 11 years of age through high school senior and reside in Collier or Lee County to be a member of the Philharmonic Center Youth Orchestra. **If you attend public or private schools you are expected to be a member of your school band or orchestra.**
- Be prepared to **play a solo piece** of your selection, totaling 2-3 minutes. This piece should demonstrate your technique and your tonal and lyrical qualities. Remember this is the piece to showcase your ability, so select a piece that will best demonstrate this for the judges. Bring an extra copy of this selection for the judges.
- Be prepared to **play major scales** – two octaves – in keys with up to three sharps and three flats. For oboe the requirement will be one octave. Timpani will not be required to do scales; mallet instruments will be required to do scales.
- Be prepared to **play the instrumental excerpts** that are available to in another link on this webpage. Prepare these pieces as completely as you prepare your solo piece. Bring your copy of the excerpt to the audition.
- You will be asked to **sight read** a short passage.

**Please remember to bring:**

- 1) The registration form (included below).
- 2) Two copies of your solo piece. (One is for the judges.)
- 3) The musical excerpts you are required to play. (To obtain copies of the excerpts, exit this online document and open the “audition excerpts” link provided on the youth orchestra page.)

**Call 254-2612 to schedule your individual audition time. Arrive at least 15 minutes prior to your appointed audition time so that you can warm-up.**

**NEXT AUDITION: August, 2008**

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**IF ACCEPTED INTO THE PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA**

Rehearsals are on Sundays. Approximate times: 2-4:20pm for strings; 3-5:15pm for all other instruments. The annual tuition is \$250.00. (\$125 if joining mid-term.) A music deposit of \$35.00 is also required and will be refunded when all music is returned.



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## **AUDITION REGISTRATION FORM**

**2008-09 Season**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

Home Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Circle & list one: Father's work number \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's work number: \_\_\_\_\_

School you will attend Sept 08: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Sept 08: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of your school orchestra/band? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you take private lessons? \_\_\_\_\_ If so, how long? \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher's name:

\_\_\_\_\_

The Philharmonic Youth Orchestra rehearses 2 ½ hours on Sunday afternoons. Will you be able to attend weekly rehearsals at this time? \_\_\_\_\_

**YOUR ASSIGNED AUDITION DATE AND TIME:** \_\_\_\_\_

You must call Janet Johnson at 254-2612 to schedule your audition date/start time.

### **AUDITION LOCATION:**

Auditions are held at the Philharmonic Center for the Arts,, located at 5833 Pelican Bay Blvd. PAVILION ENTRANCE. See below.

### **Directions from Ft. Myers:**

If traveling US 41 south you will pass through Vanderbilt Beach Road stoplight, then Gulf Park stoplight. The next stoplight is Pelican Bay Blvd. Turn right. Go 2 blocks to Myra Janco Daniels Blvd. Turn left and turn left again at the alley. Park in the parking lot on your left (north). Follow posted signs through the Pavilion gates and garden. Enter Hayes Hall west doors to the registration desk.

### **Directions from downtown Naples:**

Take US 41 North past the Pine Ridge Road intersection. The next stoplight is Pelican Bay Blvd. Turn left. Go 2 blocks to Myra Janco Daniels Blvd. Turn left and turn left again at the alley. Park in the parking lot on your left (north). Follow posted signs through the Pavilion gates and garden. Enter Hayes Hall west doors to the registration desk.

**PLEASE BRING THIS COMPLETED FORM ALONG WITH  
\$15.00 AUDITION FEE IF NOT AN EXISTING MEMBER OF THE PYO.**

**IF PAYING BY CHECK, MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:**

**The Philharmonic Center for the Arts.**



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**PHILHARMONIC YOUTH ORCHESTRA  
PARTICIPATION IN SCHOOL BAND/ORCHESTRA 2008-09**

Auditionee Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

School: \_\_\_\_\_ Band/Orchestra Teacher name: \_\_\_\_\_

(Circle one)

The Philharmonic Youth Orchestra expects all members to belong to their school band or orchestra. The PYO believes school bands and orchestras provide important opportunities to develop musicianship, to develop skills in ensemble playing, to broaden exposure to band and orchestra repertoire and to learn to play under various conducting styles. The PYO is NOT a substitute group for your school orchestra or band.

**Which musical group will you be scheduling for next year?**

**orchestra    band    neither    (circle one)**

**If you selected “neither”** we would like to urge you to reconsider. Please read the following information.

1. Did you know that you must be enrolled in your school band or orchestra class in order to participate in:

All State Orchestra or All State Band

**All County Honors Band and Orchestra**

Florida Band Association and Florida Orchestra Association Solo and Ensemble Music Performance Assessment

FBA and FOA Group Music Performance Assessment

2. Did you know that juniors and seniors will be able to take honors-credit band and orchestra next year? (You receive weighted credit/more points for the class.)

3. Did you know that being a band or orchestra member looks very good on your resume and can help with your college scholarships?

One former Collier County music teacher cites an example:

*“I know of two students in Florida who did not get accepted into Harvard because they dropped out of their school music program to take an AP class so they could be #1 or #2 in their senior class. The recruiter said they wanted well-rounded students and students that stayed with a program. Parents need to be aware that grades are not all that counts when colleges make entrance decisions - at least with quality schools that are competitive.”*

Thank you for reconsidering your participation in your school’s orchestra/band program.