



# Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra's Youth Soloist Competition Auditions 2017

Each year, the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra invites advanced student musicians to audition for the opportunity to perform with the orchestra. One outstanding Youth Soloist will be selected to perform with the full orchestra during KSO's Sounds of the Season concert, featuring flutist Sara Andon, at Chenery Auditorium on December 16<sup>th</sup>.

Auditions will be held at Miller Auditorium on **Saturday, October 28, 2017**. Once we receive your application and \$15 application fee, you will be scheduled a time slot between 9am-3pm. Registration deadline is **Friday, October 21, 2017**. Students are eligible to audition if they are enrolled in grades K-12 and reside in one of the following Michigan counties: Allegan, Barry, Branch, Calhoun, Cass, Kalamazoo, St. Joseph, and Van Buren.

The audition music should be a movement of a concerto or composition for solo instrument and orchestra not exceeding ten minutes. It is not necessary to memorize the work for the audition. **Please bring two copies of music for the adjudicators.** Advanced vocal students need to discuss repertoire with KSO Education Manager prior to registering for an audition time. Works selected for performance may require cuts, to be determined in consultation with the student's teacher and the KSO conductor. **Students will need to provide an accompanist for the audition.** While it is best to arrange this through your private teacher, if you cannot find an accompanist, you may contact the KSO Education Manager for a list of local accompanists.

The soloist will be selected on the basis of musical skill with consideration given to the potential "match" with the concert repertoire and instrumentation. Students can be selected for this opportunity a maximum of two times in non-consecutive years.

The winner will rehearse with the orchestra on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> between 7:30-10:00 p.m. and/or Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup> between 2:00-4:30pm (exact times will be determined by the Music Director). The winner will perform during the KSO Sounds of the Season Concert, which will take place from 8:00 – 10:00p.m. on Saturday December 16th, 2017 at Chenery Auditorium.

Please mail or deliver application/check to:

**Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra**  
**Attn: Benje Daneman - Youth Soloist Auditions**  
**359 S. Kalamazoo Mall, Ste. 100**  
**Kalamazoo MI 49007**

*There is a \$15 application fee payable to the Kalamazoo Symphony Orchestra.*

*Families on free/ reduced lunch can submit a letter of verification from their schools instead of paying the fee.*

# 2017 YOUTH SOLOIST AUDITIONS APPLICATION FORM



## CONTACT & PERSONAL INFORMATION

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

HOME ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL \_\_\_\_\_

GRADE \_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_ INSTRUMENT \_\_\_\_\_

YRS OF STUDY \_\_\_\_\_

## REPERTOIRE

TITLE \_\_\_\_\_ MOVEMENT \_\_\_\_\_

COMPOSER \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOMPANIST'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_

TEACHER'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

## PREVIOUS TEACHERS

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## GROUPS YOU HAVE PERFORMED WITH

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## PARENTS' NAMES

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## MUSIC AWARDS, HONORS, ETC. (LIST ON BACK IF NEEDED)

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### **Important Dates to Remember:**

**Friday, October 21, 2017**

Audition Application & Application Fee Due

**Saturday, October 28, 2017**

Audition's held at Miller Auditorium

**Saturday, December 16, 2017**

Youth Soloist Winner performs with KSO

at Chenery Auditorium