

Orchestra Information

Philharmonic Orchestra

Manuel C. Capote Music Director & Conductor

The Philharmonic Orchestra is a full youth orchestra for musicians of advanced musical ability which performs professional-level music.

Symphony Orchestra

Bradford S. Chase, Conductor

The Symphony Orchestra is a full youth orchestra for musicians of intermediate musical ability and performs music appropriate to the members' abilities.

String Orchestra

Susan Ott Rodberg, Conductor

The String Orchestra is a preparatory orchestra offering string players a group musical experience. It fosters teamwork and the ability to work with a conductor. String Orchestra applicants must be able to read music.

Artistic Staff

Manuel C. Capote, Music Director Conductor, Philharmonic Orchestra

Mr. Capote is a professional cellist and conductor, having performed with the Florida Philharmonic, Florida Grand Opera, Boca Pops, and Miami City Ballet Orchestras. He is Band & Orchestra Director at American Heritage School of Boca/Delray.

Bradford S. Chase Conductor, Symphony Orchestra

Mr. Chase has degrees in Percussion Performance and Orchestral Conducting. He has extensive experience as a conductor and performer and is currently teaching at Wellington High School.

Susan Rodberg Conductor, String Orchestra

Mrs. Rodberg has taught strings for many years at elementary, middle school, high school and college levels, and also has a large private studio of strings students. Mrs. Rodberg currently teaches at U.B.Kinsey/Palmview School of the Arts.

Mission

To provide young musicians with an exceptional learning and performance experience and an appreciation of music.

History

The Youth Orchestra of Palm Beach County continues to fulfill our mission by expanding programming to reach out to even more young musicians. Established in 1993 to provide youth orchestra opportunities in Palm Beach County, the Youth Orchestra premiered in "Spotlight on Young Musicians" on May 7, 1994, at the Kravis Center for the Performing Arts in West Palm Beach, and incorporated in June 1994. The Youth Orchestra of Palm Beach County, Inc. is a nonprofit youth orchestra program comprised of nearly 200 young musicians ranging in age from eight to 22 in three orchestras, several chamber groups, a community outreach program and an orchestra summer camp.

The Board of Directors, Parent Association and Artistic Staff of the Youth Orchestra of Palm Beach County are committed to providing professional training in all aspects of this program with minimal cost to the young musicians. Annual tuition fees represent approximately 30% of all program costs for each young musician. The Music Director, Conductors, Professional Soloists and Special Artists, as well as the Artistic and Chamber Coaches receive compensation as independent contractors, and the administrative responsibilities are handled by our Executive Director. All other aspects of the program are coordinated and executed by a dedicated volunteer Board of Directors and Parent Association.

Affiliations

League of American Orchestras
Palm Beach County Cultural Council
Boca Raton Cultural Consortium
Spotlight on Young Musicians Steering Committee
ASCAP & BMI



**Youth Orchestra of
Palm Beach County**

**Audition Information
2009-2010 Season**

**Saturday
May 16, 2009
Ages 8-22**

Audition Registration

Name _____

Age _____ Grade _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

Parent Cell _____

E-mail _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Instrument _____

Most recent piece _____

Composer _____

How long have you been playing this instrument?

Private Music Teacher (if applicable)

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

School _____

School Music Instructor _____

School Phone _____

Do you play in a school orchestra? Yes No

Do you play in a school band? Yes No

Do you play with any other musical group? _____

Which group(s)? _____

Detach and return to YOPBC to schedule audition.

Rehearsals

Rehearsals are presently held on Sunday afternoons at Dreyfoos School of the Arts in West Palm Beach, beginning in late August.

String Orchestra rehearsal: 2:45pm-4:30pm
Symphony Orchestra rehearsal: 2:30pm-5:00pm
Philharmonic Orchestra rehearsal: 2:30pm-5:00pm

Audition Requirements

Orchestra members must be between the ages of 8 and 22. Audition requirements vary depending on musician age, ability, instrument, and orchestra. Please check the YOPBC website for specific requirements at www.YOPBC.org.

String Orchestra - Two octave scales and arpeggios: C,D,A,G,F,Bb, even eighth notes / quarter=60-80. Solo piece representative of level of playing. Short sight reading example.

Symphony Orchestra - Two octave scales and arpeggios: C,G,D,A,F,Bb,Eb, even eighth notes / quarter note = (80-100) (Woodwinds and Brass may play "All-State pattern"). Solo piece representative of level of playing. Short sight reading example.

Philharmonic Orchestra - Strings : Three octave scales and arpeggios: C,G,D,A,E,F,Bb,Eb,Ab, even eighth notes / quarter note = (100-120). *Woodwinds and Brass*: All twelve major scales and arpeggios (G-Gb), even eighth notes OR "All-State Pattern" quarter = (100-120). Solo piece representative of level of playing. Short sight reading example.

Orchestra placement is at the discretion of the Music Director and Conductors based on musician ability, age, and orchestra instrumentation. All musicians will receive their audition results by mail once placement decisions are made by the artistic staff. The Youth Orchestra of Palm Beach County accepts auditions on the following instruments:

Violin	Piccolo	Trumpet
Viola	Flute	French Horn
Cello	Clarinet	Trombone
String Bass	Bassoon	Tuba
Oboe		Percussion

Tuition & Fees

Our current annual tuition and fees* are:

String Orchestra:

\$60 Registration Fee \$35 Activity Fee
\$375 Annual Tuition for First Student
\$350 each additional student in same family

Symphony & Philharmonic Orchestras:

\$60 Registration Fee \$35 Activity Fee
\$425 Annual Tuition for First Student
\$400 each additional student in the same family

For families with members in the Philharmonic or Symphony, and the String, tuition is \$425 for first student and \$350 for each additional student.

Tuition is non-refundable and not pro-rated. The \$60 Registration Fee and \$35 Activity Fee plus 50% tuition deposit are due upon acceptance into YOPBC and the tuition balance is due by the first rehearsal.

Need-based financial assistance, payment schedules and scholarships are available.

*Tuition and fees subject to change.

Auditions

Saturday, May 16, 2009

To Apply For An Audition...

Please complete and mail Audition Registration Form for each interested musician and return to YOPBC by May 8, 2009 at the address below:

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Post Office Box 1866 • Boca Raton, FL 33429

phone: 561.281.8600 e-mail: yomail@yopbc.org
fax: 561.620.0828 website: www.yopbc.org

Auditions by appointment only.
Visit www.YOPBC.org for audition requirements.