

ILLINOIS SYMPHONY GUILD OF BLOOMINGTON-NORMAL

PRIVATE LESSON SCHOLARSHIP AUDITIONS

SUNDAY, APRIL 23, 2023 | 1:00-5:00 PM

(Application deadline is **Monday, April 17, 2023** – *no exceptions*)

SECOND PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

404 N. Prairie St.

Bloomington, IL. 61701

The following private lesson scholarships will be awarded:

**Grades 8-11: Orchestral Instruments (Strings, Woodwind, Brass, Percussion,
Piano) 1st Place: \$500 | 2nd Place: \$400 | 3rd Place: \$300**

GUIDELINES

Auditions are open to all students who live in McLean County, who are presently in grades 8-11 and who are members of their school orchestra or band; or who play in the Bloomington Normal Youth Symphony; or are students of Illinois Symphony Orchestra musicians. This year we will select 15 participants based upon their application information and recommendation letter from their music teacher or director.

- **Previous 1st place winners cannot audition unless on a different instrument. No previous winner having won in two consecutive years will be eligible to audition.**
- Participants are required to perform one piece of their choosing up to 5 minutes in length.
- Students must perform with LIVE accompaniment and provide their own accompanist unless the music was initially composed as an unaccompanied piece.
- Students must supply two (2) complete copies of the music for the judges, including accompaniment. The music should include measure numbering to assist the judges in their comments.
- Students will be judged according to the criteria in the IHSA adjudication form: tone quality, intonation, technique, rhythm, musicianship, bowing (strings), articulation (winds), other performance factors (appearance, choice of literature, poise, posture, general conduct).
- **Electronic media submissions will not be accepted in place of this audition.**
- Students will be provided fifteen (15) minutes of warmup time before the audition.
- Participants will be notified of their audition times by Tuesday, April 18, 2023.
- Applications must be received by the application deadline of **Monday, April 17, 2023**, and sent by email to: **Marilyn Mertz, ISO Scholarship Audition Chair: cloud7mm@aol.com**

If you have questions, please contact Marilyn Mertz at 217-454-1230 or cloud7mm@aol.com.

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