



## 2021 Young Artist Concerto Competition Guidelines

### **Eligibility**

Applicants must be in grades 6 - 11 at the time of the audition.

### **Repertoire**

Repertoire chosen for the 2021 Concerto Competition must be suitable for performance with the New Jersey Intergenerational Orchestra (NJIO) in terms of the instrumental requirements and the difficulty of the accompaniment. The accompaniment parts must also be available from some library, publisher, or other lending source. All repertoire selections are subject to the approval of the NJIO directors before an audition will be scheduled. (If you have any doubts about your chosen piece, be sure to contact Michelle Tolentino in advance.)

### **Application**

A Concerto Competition Application Form with video submission must be submitted by 5 pm on Friday, June, 11, 2021.

### **Audition**

Concerto Competition Auditions will be held by video submission June 11, 2021. Each auditionee may select one movement to perform at the audition; the selections should be approximately 8 or 12 minutes in length, unless otherwise requested. Piano accompaniment is preferred.

### **Selection**

Finalists will be notified on June 20, 2021. The finalist round will be held on July 12, 2021 at the NJIO rehearsal building, 570 Central Avenue, New Providence, NJ 07974.

Auditions will be scheduled at 30 - 45 -minute intervals, depending on the audition length selected by the auditionee. Covid protocols will be in place for sanitation and air purification. Specific audition times will be arranged after July 20th, and will be confirmed by email. In normal cases, the audition repertoire should be memorized. Contact Michelle Tolentino with questions. Auditionees will provide their own accompanist. Pianists are requested to audition without an accompanist as the norm.

The judges reserve the right not to select any winner(s) in the 2021 Concerto Competition, or to select more than one winner. Winner(s) will be scheduled to perform with the Symphony Orchestra, pending state protocols for Covid-19. Results of the 2021 Concerto Competition Finalist round will be announced by Tuesday, July 13, 2021.

### **Concert**

Winners will receive an honorarium from NJIO for their achievements and their participation in the following NJIO activities:

The winners will play their piece at one concert with NJIO during the 2021-2022 season, pending state protocols for Covid-19. Winners may be asked to play a piece other than their audition piece. Winners will be required to attend two or three Monday evening rehearsals and occasionally meet with the conductor prior to their concerts. **Winners are required to provide their bio and headshot to NJIO by July 16, 2021.**

### **Information**

For more information on the 2021 Concerto Competition, please contact Michelle Tolentino, Program Director, [Mtolentino@njio.org](mailto:Mtolentino@njio.org).