



Now accepting applications for the 2023 Young Musicians String Festival!



The **Young Musicians String Festival is BACK!** The concert will take place at Miller Symphony Hall on **Sunday, March 26, 2023 at 3:00pm**. This is a fun and educational opportunity for young string players in the area to enhance their skills as both individual and ensemble musicians, and to meet other young musicians from around the Lehigh Valley! They could perform great repertoire including *Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 4* as well as *John William's Themes from Star Wars, Harry Potter, (and more)* under the baton of Maestro Diane Wittry on stage at Miller Symphony Hall.

It's been a long time since we've had the chance to bring students back to the Miller Symphony Hall stage. This is a truly wonderful and unique experience for young string musicians in the Lehigh Valley, so sign up today!

The festival schedule will be as follows*:

Wednesday, March 15th

6:00pm: Zoom Sectionals with ASO Principals

Thursday, March 16th

4:00-5:45pm: Seating Auditions at MSH

6:00-8:30pm: Rehearsal

Wednesday March 22nd

5:30-8:30pm Sectionals and Full Rehearsal

6:00-8:30pm: Full Rehearsal

Saturday, March 25th

8:30 - 11:30am: Rehearsal for all participants

Sunday, March 26th

12:00-1:00pm: Photos (optional)

1:15-2:30pm: Dress Rehearsal

3:00pm - Festival Concert

Maestro Wittry will hold **seating auditions** for violin, violin II, viola, cello and bass at Miller Symphony Hall on Thursday, March 16, 2023. If you are interested, you must plan your seating audition around the following schedule (note: those students not auditioning will not be eligible for an assigned chair)

4:00pm-Violin

4:45pm-Violin II

5:00pm-Viola

5:20pm-Cello

5:40pm-Bass

Eligibility: Students in 6th through 12th grades with a recommendation from their Music Teacher are eligible to participate. Eligible participants must have at least one year of experience on his/her string instrument and be able to read basic rhythms (1/4, 1/8, 1/2 and whole notes).

Entry Fee: \$75.00 entry fee for all participants. This fee includes all rehearsals, the opportunity to work with Allentown Symphony Orchestra musicians and two free tickets (one adult, one student) to a 2023 ASO Concert!

Registration: <https://form.jotform.com/221436695599169>

Registration ends Friday, March 17, 2023



*In order to participate in the Young Musician String Festival, participants must attend all mandatory rehearsals and the Sunday dress rehearsal and concert.

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