

## 2010 Young Artists Competition

The Westmoreland Symphony announces the 2010 Young Artists Competition (YAC). Now in its 9th year, the YAC is open to all instrumental and vocal students up to and including seniors in high school who are legal residents of Westmoreland County or who are taking their private lessons in Westmoreland County.

### Guidelines

- Applicants must perform a minimum of **two** contrasting pieces from classical repertoire. Vocalists may include one non-classical selection along with a minimum of two or more classical pieces.
- Performing from memory is required for pianists and singers and encouraged for instrumentalists.
- Contestants choosing to perform accompanied works *must* provide their own accompanist. If chosen to perform, winner must use the same accompanist for live audition and recital.
- Contestants should highlight both lyricism and facility in their programs. Contrasting style periods must be represented.
- Audition tape/CD (no videos allowed) may include music other than that which applicant plans to perform in the live audition. Please submit only 10 minutes of music per entry (judges may disqualify longer CD/tapes). We simply need to hear whether a student will be competitive at his/her level.

### Categories

#### Level I (up to 10 minutes performance time)

Up to Grade 9  
Piano - Instrumental - Voice

#### Level II (up to 15 minutes performance time)

Grades 10-12  
Piano - Instrumental - Voice

Contestants may only win the top prize once per level (*i.e.*, a 1st prize winner at Level I may not enter at Level I again unless he/she applies on another instrument).

Prizes **may or may not** be given in each of the six categories, at judges' discretion.

### Time Line

**Jan. 15 (Fri)** Application deadline for registration & tape/CD

**Feb. 7 (Sun)** Live auditions - beginning at 11:30 a.m.

\*This is SuperBowl Sunday. If you need an early audition time, let us know when you apply.

**Feb. 14 (Sun)** Winners' Recital - 3:00 pm

### Location

The YAC site is Seton Hill University's new Performing Arts Center for both the live auditions and the Winners' Recital.

### Entry Fee

\$10 - preliminary taped audition

\$15 - live audition **if** contestant is accepted for final round

Pending our success in identifying a new corporate sponsor, cash prizes may be awarded.

### Performance

Performance in the Winners' Recital will be determined by a panel of professional musicians. Finalists given an Honorable Mention by the judges will also be asked to perform in the recital.

### Applications

**Applications and CD/tape are due** in the WSO office by **Friday, January 15, 2010, no exceptions.** For additional flyers and applications, call the WSO office (724) 837-1850 or e-mail us at [cheryl@westmorelandsymphony.org](mailto:cheryl@westmorelandsymphony.org)

#### Mail application form with check to:

Westmoreland Symphony - YAC  
951 Old Salem Road  
Greensburg, PA 15601

#### Remember to include:

- Audition tape/CD (**10 minutes maximum**—*please list music titles on tape; to preserve anonymity do not put your name on tape/CD*)
- \$10 Entry Fee (check payable to WSO)
- Application form

**For more information:**  
**(724) 837-1850**  
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**Entry Deadline: January 15, 2010**