

# Heartland Symphony Orchestra Youth Auditions

## Rules and Regulations

1. Our goal for this program is to highlight outstanding young talent from our area. Therefore, the auditions are limited to students residing or attending school in our service area (Brainerd, Little Falls, St. Cloud and surrounding rural areas of central Minnesota). **All applications are subject to review by the HSO Youth Audition Committee.**
2. The audition is open to vocal, instrumental and piano students.
3. Any student through 12<sup>th</sup> grade may enter. **There will be two divisions: 9<sup>th</sup> grade and under and 10<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.**
4. The music is to be chosen at the discretion of the pupil's instructor. It **must**, however, be a work from the standard literature with orchestral accompaniment, limited to the instrumentation of the Heartland Symphony. If in doubt, please ask if a piece is appropriate. Instrumentalists should prepare one movement from a concerto, and singers should prepare two (2) contrasting songs/arias.
5. The same student cannot perform the same literature more than one year.
6. **Memorization** is strongly advised at auditions, especially for pianists and vocalists, to show one's best performance. Memorization will be considered in selection of winners.
7. Proper **performance attire** is expected and may influence selection of winners.
8. The entrant is to supply **two copies** of their music for the judges; at least one must be an original.
9. All entrants are to provide their own **prepared accompanist** for the audition.
10. Winners are not permitted to enter the auditions for the next year's contest.
11. One winner will be chosen from each division if possible.
12. The winners will perform their piece with which they won the audition with the Heartland Symphony at its **Spring Concerts (April 4 and April 5, 2009).**
13. Auditions will be held on **Saturday, January 31, 2009 at St. Francis Music Center in Little Falls, MN.** Accepted applicants will be notified of their audition time.

**Deadline for entry is January 10, 2009.**

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## Heartland Symphony Orchestra Youth Audition Application

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
Parents \_\_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Instrument/Voice \_\_\_\_\_ Years of Study \_\_\_\_\_  
Composition \_\_\_\_\_ Composer \_\_\_\_\_  
Teacher's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Accompanist \_\_\_\_\_

**Return to: HSO, PO Box 241, Little Falls, MN 56345**