

*Peoria Symphony Guild's
Young Artists Competition
Saturday, January 10, 2004
at
Illinois Central College*

*Winner of the Young Artists Competition will perform as the
guest soloist with the Peoria Symphony Orchestra at the
Student Concerts on April 27 and 28, 2004!*

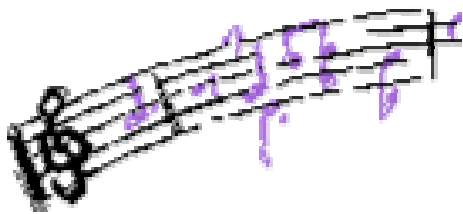


You are invited to participate in the Peoria Symphony Guild's annual Young Artists Competition. Any instrument or vocal artists through grade 12 (or high school graduate less than 18 years of age and not yet enrolled in college) is eligible to audition Saturday, January 10, 2004 at the Lecture Recital Hall on the campus of Illinois Central College. The competition will begin at 9 a.m., with finalists performing before judges and the public at 1:00p.m.

In addition to the honor of appearing as guest soloist with the Peoria Symphony Orchestra, the competition winner will receive scholarship money.

Please see your principal or music instructor for an audition application form.

*Deadline for submissions is Friday, December 5, 2003 at the Peoria Symphony
Office.*



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2004 Audition Application Form

The Peoria Symphony Guild wishes to invite instrumentalists and vocalists through grade 12 (or high school graduates not more than 18 years of age nor yet enrolled in college) to participate in 2 possible rounds of auditions on Saturday, January 10, 2004, beginning at 9:00 a.m., at the Lecture Recital Hall of Illinois Central College.

The winner of this competition will have the privilege of performing as guest soloist with the Peoria Symphony Orchestra during the annual Student Concerts on April 27 and 28, 2004, at the Peoria Civic Center. In addition, the winner will receive the Alice Oakley Memorial Scholarship (\$300) for lesson costs or music camp and will perform at the annual Peoria Symphony Guild's Spring Luncheon.

Audition Rules

1. Completed application form must be received at the Peoria Symphony Guild Office by Friday, December 5, 2004. A \$15 entrance fee must accompany the application. Please make your entrance fee check to: Peoria Symphony Guild.
2. Musical selection played must be a standard work for solo instrument(s) or voice and orchestra and is subject to approval by the PSO musical director. If a selection should not be approved, the candidate will be notified and given the opportunity to select another piece or receive a refund of the entrance fee.
3. Applicants must contact the Peoria Symphony Guild Office prior to the application deadline if they have any doubts about their selections.
4. The 1st round of auditions will be held beginning at 9:00 a.m. Applicants will receive instructions by telephone regarding available practice time and specific performance time.
5. The excerpt selected for the 1st round of the audition should not exceed 10 minutes in length. Performers should play from memory. In the event the performer is selected as a competition finalist for a second round, he or she should prepare the entire movement or shorter work from which the excerpt was taken.
6. At the time of the audition, each applicant must furnish a copy of the musical selection to be performed for the judges. The piano score is preferred.

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 Please return the entrance fee (\$15) and the completed lower portion of this form by 4:00 pm, **Friday, December 5, 2004**, to the Peoria Symphony Office, 203 Harrison Street, Peoria, Illinois 61602. Telephone: 637-2787. Your application will be acknowledged by a telephone call.

<i>NAME</i>	<i>ADDRESS</i>	
<i>CITY</i>	<i>ZIP CODE</i>	<i>PHONE#</i>
<i>PARENTS' NAMES</i>		
<i>INSTRUMENT</i>	<i>AGE/GRADE</i>	<i>SCHOOL</i>
<i>MUSIC TEACHER</i>	<i>AUDITION SELECTION</i>	<i>COMPOSER</i>
<i>DURATION</i>	<i>ACCOMPANIST</i>	<i>COMMENTS</i>

7. Each performer must have his/her own accompanist in order to participate in the audition.
8. If you are selected as a finalist to perform in the second round of auditions that day, you will be invited to perform at 1:00p.m. at Illinois Central College's Lecture Recital Hall.
9. At the Student Concerts (April 27 & 28, 2004) the winner of the Young Artists Competition may perform only his/her audition piece. In order to accommodate our entire concert program, our music director may need to make appropriate cuts in the winner's piece.
10. A former first place winner of the competition is not eligible to compete again on the same instrument. The Peoria Symphony Guild reserves the right to name or not to name winners based on the decision of the judges.
11. Candidates must live and attend school OR pursue a regular schedule of music lessons with his or her principal private teacher within a 50-mile radius of Peoria.
12. On the day of the auditions, only Peoria Symphony Guild members responsible for the auditions, judges and our music director will be allowed in the audition room.
13. Performers' families and the public will be invited to attend the second and final round of auditions on January 10, 2004, beginning at 1:00 p.m.
14. Judges will complete written performance comments on each audition which will be available at a later time to the performers.

Please complete the application form on the front side and return it with the \$15 entrance fee to the Peoria Symphony Guild. Keep these rules handy for your information.