

Symphony Youth Competition

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Saturday, May 5, 2018

Location: Dart Auditorium, Lansing Community College

COMPETITION RULES

1. The competition is open to any instrumentalist, ages 13-18.
2. Contestant must be a resident of Michigan.
3. First-place winners from previous years are not eligible the year immediately following their win.
4. The registration fee (non-refundable) is \$15 per applicant. Application forms must be postmarked no later than **Monday, April 23, 2018**.
5. The selection to be performed **MUST BE A WORK AVAILABLE FOR SOLO INSTRUMENT AND ORCHESTRA**. It is recommended that the selection be memorized. Contestants will be judged on the appropriateness of the selection, tone, technique, interpretation, musicianship and stage presence.
6. Each contestant may perform one selection of **not more than 5 minutes actual playing time**. You will be judged only on 5 minutes of music, so participants are encouraged to make cuts to showcase specific sections of their piece.
7. Each contestant must provide his/her own accompanist.
8. Provide music selections to Salvatore Parillo via email (Sal@LansingSymphony.org) by Monday, April 23, 2018 with any cuts clearly indicated. **Make sure that your name is NOT on your music.**
9. Contestants will be given an opportunity to warm up before their performance, without accompaniment. Pianos will only be made available to contestants performing on piano.
10. It is recommended that each contestant consult with his/her teacher regarding appropriate dress, proper stage etiquette and the rules of the competition.
11. Parents and guests are invited to be seated in the recital hall only while their musician is performing. (The use of video cameras and tape recorders is not permitted.) Winners will be announced upon completion of the competition, via email.