



THE SOUTHEAST IOWA
SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

2024 Marilyn Minford McCoid Young Artist Competition

The Southeast Iowa Symphony Orchestra is pleased to announce the 2024 Marilyn Minford McCoid Young Artist Competition. Named for Marilyn Minford McCoid, an oboist with the Southeast Iowa Symphony Orchestra for over 15 years and an enthusiastic supporter of young people in the arts, the competition gives area students the opportunity to perform as a soloist with the orchestra during the 2024-2025 season. The Mort and Virginia Schmucker Memorial Scholarship Award will be presented to the winners: \$300 for first place and \$200 for second place.

Competition Information

1. The competition is open to instrumentalists and vocalists who are in high school or younger who reside in Appanoose, Davis, Des Moines, Henry, Jefferson, Keokuk, Lee, Louisa, Mahaska, Monroe, Muscatine, Van Buren, Washington, and Wapello counties in Iowa; **Hancock, Henderson, and Mercer counties in Illinois; and Clark, Schuyler, Scotland, and Putnam counties in Missouri.**
2. Last year's first place winner may not compete this year.
3. Music must be chosen from the standard repertoire for solo performer and orchestra for which there is published orchestration available. Selections must not exceed 11 minutes. NOTE: Solo works for voice or instrument which has only piano accompaniment available are not appropriate for this competition.
4. **Home school students that reside in the counties above are eligible for the competition.**
5. **Students, including home school students, that reside in other counties but are enrolled in a school district located in the named counties above may be considered for the competition by completing the waiver section of the entry form.**
6. The first place winner may be presented with the Orchestra during the School Tour concerts and may perform during the second or third Masterworks Series Concerts in Ottumwa, Mt. Pleasant and Burlington. Each appearance is at the discretion of the conductor.
7. Contestants must provide their own accompanist for the audition and must also provide at least one copy of their music for the judges.
8. **Music performed at the audition does not need to be memorized.**
9. All entries must be approved by the music teacher of the applicant.
10. A non-refundable \$10 registration fee must accompany all entries, which must be received no later than November 1, 2024.

Competition Schedule

November 1, 2024.	Application Deadline.
November 11, 2024.	Audition schedule sent to contestants.
December 7, 2024.	Auditions at TBA.
March/April, 2025.	Possible guest appearances on SEISO's Masterworks Concert Series.
March/April 2025.	Possible guest appearance on SEISO's School Tour Concerts.



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ENTRY FORM

Applicant's Full Name _____

Age

Grade

Instrument or Voice

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ County _____

Home Phone (_____) _____ Cell Phone (_____) _____

Email Address _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Check here if applying for Waiver (See No. 5 of Competition Information)

Name of School _____

School District County & State _____

Complete Title of Solo (including the movement, if taken from a larger work) _____

Composer _____

Publisher _____ Length in minutes _____

Name of Accompanist _____

Name of Music Teacher _____ Signature of Music Teacher _____

Teacher's Phone (_____) _____ Teacher's Email Address _____

Entries must be received by November 1, 2024. Please make checks payable to Southeast Iowa Symphony Orchestra.

Mail Entry Form with \$10 entry fee to: **Southeast Iowa Symphony Orchestra**
Marilyn Minford McCoid Young Artist Competition
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Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641