

Audition Requirements

String Instrument Audition Requirements

String applicants will audition with the following:

1. The MYO audition selection for your instrument found on our website, myokc.info
2. 2-minute solo excerpt of your choice, demonstrating your current capabilities
3. The following scale
Violin: A Melodic Minor, in 3 octaves
Viola: D Melodic Minor, in 3 octaves
Cello: D Melodic Minor, in 3 octaves
Bass: E Melodic Minor, in 3 octaves

Sight-reading will not be included in these auditions

Woodwind and Brass Audition Requirements

Woodwind and Brass applicants will audition with the following:

1. Chromatic scale demonstrating range on the instrument
2. 2-minute solo excerpt of your choice, demonstrating your current capabilities
3. Minor scale of your choice, in as many octaves as you can play
4. Major scale, chosen by the judges from the following list (G, D, A, E, F, Bb, Eb, Ab), in as many octaves as you can play
5. Sight-reading

Percussion Audition Requirements

Percussion applicants will audition with the following:

1. Prepared piece for a mallet instrument
2. Prepared piece for the snare drum
3. Prepared piece for the timpani

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra will provide audition instruments (timpani, xylophone, snare, etc). Applicants are required to bring mallets to the audition.



History of the MYO

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of Kansas City was founded in the Fall of 1997 by Jim Murray & Paul Cooper. Our purpose is to provide an educational and artistic experience in a full orchestra ensemble for young musicians. It's about having fun while learning about and making great music.

The Metropolitan Youth Orchestra of Kansas City performs three concerts a season, as well as participating in special performance opportunities. Some of those opportunities have included performances at the rededication of the Liberty Memorial and at the Greater Kansas City Japan Festival. The orchestra has also commissioned and premiered works by local composers.

MYO Staff

Jim Murray • Monty Carter - Conductors
Karianne Waterland - Executive Director
Andrew Waterland - Orchestra Manager
Jenifer Hamilton - Attendance Coordinator

15th Anniversary Season



the
**Metropolitan
Youth
Orchestra**
of Kansas City

**Proudly
announces
auditions for
the 2011-2012
concert season**



Metropolitan Youth Orchestra Audition Form
(also available on our website, myokc.info)

Name _____

Instrument _____

Preferred audition date (See right) _____

Parent(s)/Guardian(s) _____

Daytime phone _____

Evening phone _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

E-mail _____

School _____

Grade (next year) _____

Private teacher & years of study (if applicable)

Please have your Band or Orchestra Director sign below to verify that you are currently enrolled in your school's music program and plan to enroll next year. **If you are home schooled or attend a school without a band or orchestra program, please attach an explanatory note.*

director signature *date*

parent/guardian signature *date*

You're invited to Audition!

If you are an instrumentalist in good standing with your school ensemble director and will not reach your 19th birthday before September 1, you are eligible to audition for the MYO.

MYO rehearses from 2:00-4:00 p.m. on Sundays at William Jewell College. We present three to four concerts per season, September to May, with other performance opportunities possible.

Tuition is \$250 per member. If a household has more than one student in the orchestra, it will receive a 20% discount off both members' combined tuition. Some scholarship assistance may be available to qualified members.

All MYO entrance auditions are anonymous, evaluated by professional adjudicators who are behind a screen.

MYO auditions will be held at William Jewell College:

<i>Tuesday, May 10</i>	<i>4:00-8:00p.m.</i>
<i>Friday, May 13</i>	<i>4:00-8:00p.m.</i>
<i>Saturday, May 14</i>	<i>1:00-6:00p.m.</i>
<i>Sunday, May 15</i>	<i>1:00-4:00p.m.</i>

Just fill out, clip and mail the audition form on the right, **postmarked by May 6**. We will email or phone you with your audition time.

Every student must audition each year regardless of previous participation in the Metropolitan Youth Orchestra. Neither scales or solos need to be memorized and you do not need an accompanist.

The form at the left must be **postmarked by May 6, 2011**.

Send to: Metropolitan Youth Orchestra
P.O. Box 1244
Liberty, MO 64069

Contact us anytime at 816.716.0607, www.myokc.info or metropolitanyouthorchestra@gmail.com



Come see the MYO in action! Attend our
SEASON FINALE CONCERT Sunday, April 17, 7:00 p.m.
Liberty Performing Arts Theater. Admission is free.



MYO Members...

- savor the full symphonic experience
- explore the diverse styles of orchestral repertoire
- develop camaraderie with musicians from different schools
- have fun in rehearsals
- socialize at after-rehearsal events
- give three concerts each season
- present premiers of newly commissioned works
- become equipped for collegiate performance opportunities