

# CONCERT STRING ORCHESTRA & STRING ORCHESTRA ENSEMBLE AUDITION POLICIES 2019-2020

## ELIGIBILITY FOR CONCERT STRING ORCHESTRA / STRING ORCHESTRA ENSEMBLE:

Concert String Orchestra (CSO) or String Orchestra Ensemble (SOE) students must have turned eight (8) years old before August 1, 2019 and be entering 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. This means that you must have been born before August 1, 2011. **HYS will verify eligibility.**

## IMPORTANT DEADLINES

The following table shows all-important deadlines. HYS **does not** make any exceptions.

DEADLINES	
Applications with <b>\$10 fee</b> if postmarked by:	July 24
Late applications with <b>\$10 fee + \$10 late fee (total \$20)</b> will be accepted:	July 25 - 30 ONLY

## CONCERT STRING ORCHESTRA/STRING ORCHESTRA ENSEMBLE INSTRUMENTATION

HYS accepts the following instruments into CSO and SOE: **Violin, Viola, Cello, and Bass.**

## AUDITION SCHEDULE

You will receive notification of your audition time by email on approximately **August 2, 2019**. Auditions will be held on **Saturday, August 10** at the Boys & Girls Club, Spalding Clubhouse located at 1704 Waiola Street. Parking available at Washington Middle School; entrance on South King Street. Auditions will begin at 8:30 a.m. and will end in the afternoon. Warm-up areas will be assigned upon check-in. You must play all of the audition music. **No walk-in applicants will be accepted.**

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### **How do I know if I should apply for this audition?**

Most CSO/SOE students have a minimum of two years of playing experience. However, this is not a requirement. Download the audition music and consult with your private teacher to determine if you are ready to audition. If your teacher determines that you are not ready to audition for CSO/SOE, you may inquire about Intermediate String Ensemble (ISE) or Beginning String Ensemble (BSE). No audition is required for these groups, but you must be eight (8) years old before August 1, 2019.

### **When will the audition music be available?**

The audition music will be available on our website at [www.HiYouthSymphony.org](http://www.HiYouthSymphony.org) starting **Friday, July 12, 2019, by 5:00 pm**. If you don't have internet access, you may send a self-addressed, stamped envelope, and we will mail the music to you on July 12.

### **What if I played in CSO or SOE last year?**

You must re-audition for your seat in the orchestra. Acceptance into CSO/SOE will be based on your current level of playing, not prior membership in the orchestra.

### **May I audition for more than one instrument?**

No. Students may audition for only one instrument.

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### **How do I know if I have to pay the audition fee?**

If you auditioned earlier this year for Concert Orchestra or Youth Symphony II, you do not have to pay again for this audition.

### **How will I be informed about the orchestra I am in?**

Once you have completed your audition on August 10, the conductors will decide, based on your audition scores, which group you will play in, whether it is in CSO, SOE or Intermediate String Ensemble (ISE). You will be notified of the audition results by email. PLEASE **DO NOT** CALL THE HYS OFFICE FOR YOUR AUDITION RESULTS.

### **What is the registration fee?**

You must be **accepted** into CSO or SOE to register for those orchestras. The registration fee for the 2019-2020 season will be \$480.

### **Is financial aid available?**

Yes, please visit our website at [www.HiYouthSymphony.org/programs/financial-aid](http://www.HiYouthSymphony.org/programs/financial-aid) for more information.

### **When does SOE rehearse?**

Rehearsals are held every Saturday from 10:30 am – 12:00 pm at the Boys and Girls Club of Hawaii Spalding Clubhouse, near Washington Middle School, from September 7, 2019 through April 26, 2020. The season ends with the Spring Concert scheduled for April 26, 2020.

### **When does CSO rehearse?**

Rehearsals are held every Saturday from 12:45 – 2:45 pm at the Boys and Girls Club of Hawaii Spalding Clubhouse, near from Washington Middle School, from September 7, 2019 through April 26, 2020. The season ends with the Spring Concert scheduled for April 26, 2020.

### **What if I need an instrument?**

Violins, violas, cellos, and basses are available for rent during the regular season from September to May and during the summer period from June to August. Violins and violas are rented for **\$135 per season (\$45 summer)**; cellos and basses for **\$180 per season (\$60 summer)**. Go to [www.HiYouthSymphony.org/rentals](http://www.HiYouthSymphony.org/rentals) to rent an instrument or to renew your existing rental.

### **CSO/SOE AUDITION APPLICATION CHECKLIST**

- Review HYS policies & eligibility requirements
- Complete application form
- Send audition application and \$10 fee by **July 24** to:  
HYS 1110 University Avenue, Suite 200  
Honolulu, Hawaii 96826
- Send \$20 (includes LATE FEE) if **applying on July 25 or later**.  
The **deadline** for late applications is July 30.
- Download or obtain audition music.
- Practice the audition music.
- Receive audition time **approximately August 2**.
- Note check-in **and** audition times for August 10 at the Boys & Girls Club, Spalding Clubhouse.

**Mahalo!**

# HYS 2019-2020 CSO/SOE Audition Application

You must review all audition policies as outlined on this brochure. Please take your time and provide accurate and complete information. Thank you for applying and GOOD LUCK!

**Complete all the information below, and PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

Are you a current HYS member?  Yes  No

If YES, which group? \_\_\_\_\_

Check one of the following:  I will get the music from your website.  
 Send me the audition music. (ENCLOSE a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)  My teacher will give me the audition music.

**Web address: www.HiYouthSymphony.org**  
 Audition music will be available on  
**Friday, July 12, 2019.**

Provide the following information so that we may verify your eligibility:

Birth date: \_\_\_\_\_ My age on 8-1-2019: \_\_\_\_\_

Your SCHOOL for 2019-2020 \_\_\_\_\_ Your GRADE in 2019-2020 \_\_\_\_\_

**AUDITION INSTRUMENT:** \_\_\_\_\_

**NAME** First Middle Last

**MAILING ADDRESS** Street No. Apt. #

City State Zip

**HOME PHONE** \_\_\_\_\_ **GENDER** \_\_\_\_\_

**PARENT EMAIL** (Your child's audition time will be sent to this email address—only one email address please.) \_\_\_\_\_

**FATHER** or Guardian Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Father Work and Cell Numbers \_\_\_\_\_

**MOTHER** or Guardian Full Name \_\_\_\_\_ Mother Work and Cell Numbers \_\_\_\_\_

**IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES — FEES ARE NOT REFUNDABLE. PLEASE APPLY ON TIME.**

**July 12: AUDITION MUSIC AVAILABLE**

There are four ways to get a copy of the audition music: (1) download the music from our website at www.HiYouthSymphony.org, (2) Send a self-addressed stamped envelope, (3) obtain a copy from your music teacher, or (4) pick up a copy at the HYS office.

**July 24: APPLICATIONS DUE**

Applications with a \$10 application fee **MUST BE RECEIVED IN OUR OFFICE BY 5 PM.**

**July 25—30: LATE APPLICATIONS**

Late applications are accepted with a \$20 application fee if **RECEIVED at HYS NO LATER THAN 5 PM ON JULY 30.**

**Approximately August 2: AUDITION TIME AVAILABLE**

Your audition time will be emailed to you. Please **print your email information clearly** above.

**Saturday, August 10, 2019: AUDITIONS AT BOYS & GIRLS CLUB, SPALDING CLUBHOUSE**

Auditions are held at the **Boys & Girls Club**, Spalding Clubhouse, which is located at the intersection of Waiola & Lokahi Street. Parking is available at Washington Middle School; parking entrance is on South King Street.

**FEES**  
**INCLUDE ALL APPLICABLE FEES. CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.**

Applying on or before Jul. 24: **Include \$10**

Applying between Jul. 25-30: **Include \$20**

I auditioned for YSII or CO. My application fee is waived.

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check payable to HYS  
 (Returned Check Fee \$25)

Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*I have read and understand HYS audition policies and have reviewed them with my parent/guardian. I certify that the information provided on this application is complete and accurate. I will arrive on time and be prepared at my assigned audition time. If I do not arrive on time, I understand that I may have to wait to audition after all other students have finished their audition.*

RETURN BY APPLICATION DEADLINE TO:  
**HYS**  
**1110 University Avenue, Suite 200**  
**Honolulu, Hawaii 96826**  
 Tel: 808 941-9706

**Student Signature REQUIRED** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian Signature REQUIRED** \_\_\_\_\_