

Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras Host Auditions August 19

Jacksonville, FL (August 8, 2017) – Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras will be holding auditions on Saturday, August 19. Auditions are by appointment only and the application, as well as the audition requirements, can be found online at jaxsymphony.org/jsyo. The deadline for applications is Tuesday, August 15.

The auditions will be held at the Times Union-Center for the Performing Arts. JSYO Principal Conductor Deanna Tham will oversee auditions.

There are limited spots available in each of our ensembles that include:

- Philharmonic
- Repertory Orchestra
- Premiere Strings
- Encore Strings
- Foundation Strings II
- Foundation Strings I

The JSYO serves more than 400 talented musicians from all over Northeast Florida. The JSYO season begins in September, ends in mid-May and accounts for holiday breaks. For students in Clay County, the JSYO is partnered with Wehner School of the Arts to allow on-site rehearsals close to home for Foundation Strings I and II. The JSYO is also partnered with the Florida State College of Jacksonville and utilizes space on their South Campus for rehearsals.

The Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestras present advanced students with unique opportunities such as:

- Performances held in Jacoby Symphony Hall
- Performance with Jacksonville Symphony musicians in the annual Major/Minor Concert
- Opportunity to participate in education and career building Assistantships
- Audition for annual Young Artists Concerto Competition
- Attendance at the Los Angeles International Music Festival

"I am incredibly excited for the upcoming season with the JSYO," says Deanna Tham, JSYO Principal Conductor. "Being a part of JSYO allows students to play fun, engaging music that they would hear played by professional orchestras!"

Please direct further questions to Brian Ganan at bganan@jaxsymphony.org or 904.354.5120.

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The Jacksonville Symphony is North Florida's leading music nonprofit offering live performances at Jacoby Hall in the Times-Union Center for the Performing Arts and other venues throughout the area. In addition, the Symphony provides music instruction for youth and operates the Jacksonville Symphony Youth Orchestra. For more information about the Symphony, visit jaxsymphony.org, like them at [facebook.com/jaxsymphony](https://www.facebook.com/jaxsymphony) and [facebook.com/jaxyouthorchestras](https://www.facebook.com/jaxyouthorchestras), follow them on @jaxsymphony, on Instagram at JaxSymphony and on YouTube at JacksonvilleSymphony.