

YOUTH SYMPHONY OF THE SOUTHWEST AUDITION REQUEST FORM

Name _____ Age/Grade _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ E-mail _____
Instrument _____ Years of Study _____
Private Instructor _____ School _____

Please send \$30 audition fee payable to:
Youth Symphony of the Southwest, c/o Patricia Cosand, 117 E. Ellis, Tempe, AZ 85282
yssw.symphonyofthesouthwest.org

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***For more information about YSSW and videos of previous performances
visit our website at: yssw.symphonyofthesouthwest.org***



AUDITIONS
for the
2024-2025 Concert Season

Monday, April 29th, 5:00 - 8:00 pm
Tuesday, April 30th, 5:00 - 8:00 pm

Grace Community Church
1200 E Southern Ave
Tempe, AZ 85282

*Auditions to fill open positions
will be held the first week of August.*

About Youth Symphony of the Southwest

The *Youth Symphony of the Southwest* was founded in 2006 for the express purpose of supporting and fostering the highest quality music education and to inspire and nurture the love of symphonic repertoire by offering hands-on experience to qualified young musicians from 14 through age 20.

Under the direction of Cal Stewart Kellogg, Conductor of *Symphony of the Southwest* and West Valley Symphony, musicians are offered an opportunity to join their peers for a year of practical orchestral training and performances.

YSSW performs works from the standard orchestra repertoire. During previous seasons, works performed included *Night on Bald Mountain* by Mussorgsky, the *Funeral March of the Marionettes* by Gounod, *Symphony No. 34* by Mozart, *Fingal's Cave* by Mendelssohn, the *Ballet from Macbeth* by Verdi and *The Firebird* by Stravinsky.

CAL STEWART KELLOGG

Maestro Kellogg has conducted Youth Symphony of the Southwest since it was founded in 2006. He earned a diploma in conducting from the Conservatorio di Musica S. Cecilia in Rome under the guidance of the legendary Franco Ferrara, and also earned diplomas in composition and bassoon.

He made his operatic debut with the Rome Opera leading a production of Nino Rota's *Aladino e la Lampada Magica* and New York City Opera debut conducting Menotti's *The Saint of Bleeker Street*, both at the request of the composers.

Maestro Kellogg has extensive world-wide conducting experience in both symphonic music and opera.

AUDITION REQUIREMENTS

STRINGS

All major and melodic minor scales and arpeggios in 3 octaves. Two scales will be chosen for the audition.

A one and one-half to two minute solo of their choice.

Repertoire excerpts-available for download at: yssw.symphonyofthesouthwest.org/audition-requirements

WOODWINDS & BRASS

All major and melodic minor scales in 2 octaves, if possible, and a chromatic scale covering the entire range of the instrument.

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PERCUSSION

Demonstrate competency on snare drum, timpani and xylophone.

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HARP

A one and one-half to two minute solo of their choice.

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**ALL STUDENTS WILL BE
ASKED TO SIGHTREAD**

AUDITION REGISTRATION

To secure an audition time, please send application form and a \$25 non-refundable check or money order (made payable to Youth Symphony of the Southwest) to:

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Audition registration and payment may be completed online at

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2024-2025 Annual Tuition is \$400

REHEARSALS

Monday afternoons from 4:45-7:00

Location: Dobson High School

First Rehearsal: August 12, 2024

CONCERTS

Monday, September 16, 2024

Mesa Arts Center - 7:00 PM

Monday, October 28, 2024

Mesa Arts Center - 7:00 PM

Monday, December - December 2, 2024

Mesa Arts Center - 7:00 PM

Monday, February 10, 2025

Mesa Arts Center - 7:00 PM

**All Youth Symphony of the Southwest
concerts are FREE to the public!**

Saturday, April 5, 2025

Symphony of the Southwest

Youth Symphony of the Southwest

Side-by-Side Concert

Mesa Arts Center at 7:00 PM

Concert dates are subject to change. A complete schedule of concert dates and times will be available at the first rehearsal.