Young Artist Competition – January 14, 2023
Senior Application (Grades 11 & 12)

APPLICATION DEADLINE – POSTMARKED, OR DIGITALLY SUBMITTED BY 12/5/22

Please review the competition rules, complete the information below and submit with the following:

By Mail:
   Send to BHSO, Attn: Young Artist Competition, PO Box 2246, Rapid City, SD 57709
   1. Completed application form
   2. CD, video/DVD, or YouTube link of entrant performing competition solo with piano accompaniment
   3. Entry Fee - $65 Junior Division. Check can be mailed or call BHSO Office (605-348-4676) to pay by Credit Card

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   Send to bhso@rapidnet.com Subject Line: Young Artist Competition Application
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Questions? Contact the BH Symphony Office 605-348-4676 or 605-484-9497
or bhso@rapidnet.com
Applicant Information

Name

Complete Mailing Address

Phone Number

Email

School & Grade

Name of Solo (please include Opus & movement)

Composer

Publisher

Playing Time of Piece (Maximum time 15 minutes)

Instrument
Instructor___________________________________________________________________________
(preferably private teacher, however High School Music Director is acceptable)

Phone: ___________________________________________________________________________

E-mail:____________________________________________________________________________________

Accompanist_______________________________________________________________________________

Phone:___________________________________________________________________________________

Email:____________________________________________________________________________________

Rules and application form available at www.bhsymphony.org

As this student’s teacher, I verify that the applicant is prepared to perform the selected solo.

Teacher’s Signature_______________________________________________________________

Applicant’s Signature:_____________________________________________________________

I have read the competition rules and allow my child to participate in the Competition.

Applicant’s Parent’s Signature:_____________________________________________________

(If applicant is under age 18)
44th Annual Young Artist Competition
January 14, 2023

Sponsored by the Black Hills Symphony Orchestra and the Black Hills Symphony League

Questions: Please call the BHSO Office at 605-348-4676 or email bhso@rapidnet.com

Rules and Information:

1. Competition is open to high school instrumentalists in grades 9 through 12 and living within a 180-mile radius of Rapid City. The Junior division is open to students in 9th or 10th grades with a maximum age of 17) and Senior Division is open to those in 11th and 12th grades (with a maximum age of 19).

2. Applicants must be recommended by their school music director or private music teacher.

3. Entrants may only compete on one instrument per competition.

4. Instruments approved for competition: all standard orchestral instruments. All instruments must be acoustic and NOT amplified.

5. Applicants must submit all of the following items by email or mail to Black Hills Symphony Orchestra, dated or postmarked no later than Monday, December 5, 2022.

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6. The First-Place Winner of the Senior Division may not compete again on the same instrument but may compete another year on a different instrument. Junior Division winner may compete in following year(s) on the same instrument.

7. Competition Date:
• January 14, 2023

8. **Competition Location:**
   - First United Methodist Church, 629 Kansas City Street, Rapid City, South Dakota.
   - The venue will be closed to the public. You will be notified by email and/or text message about how arrivals and warm-ups will be handled.

9. Applicants must provide their own accompanist and three copies of their music for the judges. Applicants must bring the three copies to the Friday, January 13, 2023 rehearsal, or they will not be allowed to perform on Saturday, January 14, 2023.

10. **Solo must be memorized.**

11. **Solo must be limited to 15 minutes or less**

12. **Senior Division solos must have a published orchestral accompaniment.**

13. The solo must be played in its entirety, except for the standard cuts. If you plan to use cuts please include them in your music pre-registration.

14. Junior Division solos must have piano accompaniment. Repertoire with orchestral accompaniment is not required in the Junior Division.

15. If necessary, a qualified, impartial judge (who does not have a student applying for the competition), will adjudicate a preliminary round from the submitted recordings. The top 10 applicants in each division will proceed to the competition on January 14, 2023. The CDs/DVDs will be returned to musicians at the competition. All applicants will be notified as to the status of their application by December 29, 2022.

16. All participants will be limited to an assigned time to rehearse with their accompanist at First United Methodist Church on the Friday before the competition. Participants will not be allowed to rehearse in the church on Friday, January 13, 2023 except during the times assigned to them. Participants will be assigned warm-up rooms and times on the day of the competition.

17. **Competition times for Saturday, January 14, 2023 will be assigned at random. Competitors may not trade or request specific assigned times on Saturday.**

18. All decisions of the judges are final. Judges have the authority to declare no winner. Competitors will receive written comments from the judges.

19. The winner from the Senior Division will play his/her solo with the BHSO on March 4, 2023, and receive a cash award of $500. The Second-Place winner in the Senior Division will receive $300. The First-Place winner in the Junior Division will receive $200. The Second-Place winner in the Junior Division will receive $100. An honorable mention may be awarded at the judges’ discretion for either/both divisions. There will be no monetary award for this distinction.

20. Runner Up in the Senior Division and Winner and Runner Up in the Junior Division along with any Honorable Mentions will be announced and recognized on stage, during the March 4, 2023 BH Symphony Concert.
21. All competitors will receive an audio recording of their competition performance.

22. If, due to extreme circumstances, the winner is unable to perform with the orchestra on March 4, 2023, the Black Hills Symphony conductor may choose a replacement.

Rules and application forms available at www.bhsymphony.org/youngartist.html