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Auditions are now being accepted for the Tampa Bay Symphony 38th Annual Jack Heller Young Artist Competition.

The winner will perform as a soloist with the Tampa Bay Symphony.

Instrumentalists, including pianists, and vocalists, are eligible. All musical selections must be from the standard orchestral repertoire, composed for that instrument/voice and symphony orchestra, and must not exceed twenty minutes in length.

Competition finalists will perform at a public audition before a panel of judges to determine the winner.

The winner will perform with the Tampa Bay Symphony at the Winter 2024 Concert Series and will also receive a cash award of \$3,000.

See Competition Rules for details.

The Jack Heller Young Artist Competition Rules:

1. Applicants must be instrumentalists, pianists, or vocalists, age 24 and under (must not reach age 25 prior to date of final audition, November 4, 2023 and must be studying and/or residing in Florida.
2. Applicants must submit an online application form at the following URL: <https://app.getacceptd.com/tampabaysymphony>
3. Please follow all directions at this URL. A \$30 non-refundable entry fee will be charged. Recordings will be uploaded during this application process. No CDs or DVDs will be accepted. Please do not mail anything to our PO Box. The deadline to submit an application online is September 30, 2023.
4. **All musical selections must be works from the standard repertoire** and composed for that instrument/voice and symphony orchestra. Vocalists must prepare two (2) arias of contrasting styles, performed in original key and language.
5. Teachers/piano accompanists are permitted to accompany the student on the audition submitted online and at the live audition. Accompaniment enhancement is not allowed. MIDI, digital, taped, or any other type of musical accompaniment support, is not allowed.
6. Auditioning committee will select and notify up to six finalists no later than October 16, 2023. Competition finalists will perform at a public audition before a panel of judges on Saturday, November 4, 2023, 11am at The Music Gallery, 5990 Ulmerton Road, Clearwater, FL 33760. Memorization is required. Each finalist will receive \$150 for participating on November 4, 2023.
7. Audition finalists are responsible for their own travel expenses, and must provide an accompanist and four copies of the original piano score on competition day.
8. All music to be performed shall not exceed twenty

(20) minutes in length, and must be the same selection the student intends to perform with TBS.

9. The winner will be announced at the conclusion of the live audition. All decisions of the judges are final.

10. Winner will provide the Symphony with (2) B/W photos, sized 2 x 2 inches and biography of not more than 250 words within two weeks of being selected.

11. Winner will perform as a soloist with the Tampa Bay Symphony at the 3-concert Winter 2024 Concert Series, exact dates TBD. Winner will also attend two or three evening rehearsals immediately prior to the first concert performance. **Concert and rehearsal dates are subject to change.**

12. The winner is responsible for all travel expenses. A \$3,000 award will be presented at the final concert. In the case of a tie, the award will be split between winners.

13. If, in the opinion of the judges, the quality of performance at the final audition is not at a sufficiently high level, they may recommend that no award be given that year.

14. Applicant shall not be a member of the Tampa Bay Symphony and shall not have been a winner on the same instrument within the previous 3 years.

15. Application constitutes the contestant's authorization to use their name, photo, and biographical information in all forms of media used to promote current and future competitions/performances.

16. Failure to comply with these rules may result in disqualification of the applicant and/or forfeiture of any award.

17. Application and interpretation of the above rules shall be at the sole discretion of the Board of Directors of the Tampa Bay Symphony.



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