



2026 HSO YOUTH / COLLEGE CONCERTO SPONSORED BY HENDRICKS LIVE! COMPETITION INFORMATION

The Hendricks Symphony Orchestra is now accepting applications for its annual Youth/College Concerto Competition.

Deadline to apply is **Friday, January 23, 2026**.

In-person auditions are **Saturday, April 11, 2026**

HSO YCC Rules of Participation

ELIGIBILITY:

Youth Division

1. Open to instrumental musicians up to grade 12 during the 2025 – 2026 school year.
2. The competition is open to Indiana residents of Boone, Hendricks, Marion, Montgomery, Morgan, and Putnam counties.

College Division

1. Open to instrumental musicians enrolled in undergraduate studies in any field during the 2025 – 2026 school year.
2. The competition is open to any Indiana residents.

Application

1. This application is due no later than 11:59 PM EDT on Friday, January 23, 2026

Audition:

1. The competition will be held in-person at Hendricks Live!, 200 W Main St, Plainfield, IN 46168 on Saturday, April, 2026.
2. There may be two in-person rounds: a preliminary and final round. Both may be recorded for judging purposes.
3. Youth Division applicants will perform a movement of a concerto.
4. College Division applicants may choose any piece (that is available for the orchestra to acquire).
5. Entrants are required to provide their own piano accompanist.
6. Entrants must provide five copies of their musical score for the judges.

Judging/winnings:

1. The results of the competition will be announced at the awards reception to be held on Saturday, April 11, 2026, at Hendricks Live!. All entrants will receive notes from the judges. All decisions by the judges are final.
2. The HSO Youth Concerto Competition winner will receive a \$500 cash prize. The Runner-up will receive a \$250 cash prize.
3. The HSO College Concerto Competition winner will receive a \$1000 cash prize. The Runner-up will receive a \$500 cash prize. The judges reserve the right not to award a winner or runner-up.
4. The winner (and runner up) may be offered the opportunity to perform live with the orchestra during the October concert of the 2026 - 2027 season. Please contact your band/orchestra teacher or private music teacher if you have any questions or need help choosing appropriate music.
5. Please email your application to rogerzdutcher@yahoo.com.
6. Please send payment to:

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Hendricks Symphony
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