

# Dublin Youth Orchestras

*Ceolfhoirne na nÓg Átha Cliath*

## AUDITIONS SPRING 2012

Auditions will take place on **Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2012** at Sancta Maria College, Ballyroan, D 16.

Closing date for applications is Monday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2012 and absolutely **no late applications will be accepted.**

Applications must be received in writing on the form and accompanied by the audition fee of €20.00. No applications will be processed by telephone.

Please include a stamped addressed post card if you require a confirmation of receipt of your application.

Shortly after the closing date, applicants will receive a letter with the date, time and place of the audition including driving directions. If you have not received your audition time by the 22<sup>nd</sup> February please contact the office at 083 4036030.

Please read the Rules of Audition, paying special attention to the age requirements.

Junior Strings violinists may audition on violin for a viola place (see application form below) but must satisfy the Dublin Youth Orchestras of their intention to take viola lessons if they accept a viola place.

As a general guideline applicants should have reached the following grade standard Age 10 - Grade 2, Age 12 - Grade 3-4, Age 14 - Grade 4-5, Age 16 - Grade 6+. All applicants should have a good sight reading ability.

Rehearsals for Junior and Intermediate Orchestras take place on Sunday mornings and rehearsals for Concert and Symphony Orchestras take place on Sunday afternoons, once a month.

If you have any queries about the audition process, refer to the website [www.dyo.ie](http://www.dyo.ie) or email [info@dyo.ie](mailto:info@dyo.ie) or telephone the office at 083 4036030.

We are not auditioning for Saxophone this year.

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### Rules of Audition

- 1). String Players must be 10 years old by the 1<sup>st</sup> September following audition and Wind and Brass players must be 12 years old by the 1<sup>st</sup> September following audition. Proof of age will be required on audition day.
- 2). Players must be receiving regular lessons on the instrument played before audition and while playing in the Orchestras.
- 3). Due to the large numbers involved no special arrangements can be made for individual candidates auditioning. Unsuccessful candidates may re-apply to re-audition in the following year. Any attempt to influence the conductor's decision will disqualify a candidate.
- 4). Percussion players will be given a probationary place in the first instance. They must show over a period of months that they are able to perform with competence with the Orchestra.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DYO IS AN ORGANISATION THAT IS RUN VOLUNTARILY BY PARENTS OF PRESENT AND PAST MEMBERS OF DYO. ALL PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO CONTRIBUTE ONE DAY IN THE YEAR TO SUPPORT THE ORGANISATION.**

Please post all completed audition application form along with a cheque for €20.00 made out to Dublin Youth Orchestras to:

Ms Brigitte de la Malène, 5 Rathgar Avenue, Dublin 6