

FACT SHEET

16th Annual Young Artist Award

Instrumental and Vocal Competition

Arts Barn, 311 Kent Square Road, Gaithersburg, MD 20878
301-258-6394

Application Information

Applications due by Saturday, December 15, 2018

The City of Gaithersburg announces the 16th Annual Young Artist Award, a juried competition that provides young musicians with an enriching artistic experience, culminating in a concert for the top prize winners. General guidelines include:

- Open to vocal and instrumental (woodwind, brass, string, piano) soloists between the ages of 12 – 18 years. Applicants must be at least 12 years old but no more than 18 years old by December 31, 2018.
- Participants may apply as vocal soloist, wind soloist, brass soloist, string soloist or piano soloist. Performers must provide their own piano accompanists, if accompaniment is needed.
- Previous First Place winners may not apply in the category in which they won.
- Participants will perform before a live jury in a closed audition on Saturday, **February 2, 2019**.
- First, second, third and honorable mention prizes may be awarded in each category (vocal, wind, brass, string, and piano).
- All participants will receive written feedback from the jurors. Written feedback will be mailed to participants within ten business days.
- Winners will be notified by phone within one day of the competition and a letter will be sent within ten business days.
- Top prize winners will be presented in the Young Artist Award Concert on Friday, **March 1, 2019**. Participants **MUST** be available in order to be eligible for a prize. Performance repertoire for the concert may not exceed 6 (six) minutes in length (performers may make cuts if necessary).
- Participants must bring four (4) copies of their audition repertoire to the competition. Put first and last names in the top right corner of all pages and number all measures. Copies will not be returned. Failure to bring copies will result in a lowering of the competition score.
- For more information visit www.gaithersburgmd.gov/leisure/arts/young-artist-award
- Apply online at www.signmeup.com/126496
- Although participants are encouraged to apply online, a hard copy of the application may be obtained by calling the Arts Barn at 301-258-6394, emailing the program coordinator at Monica.Harwood@gaitersburgmd.gov or visiting the Arts Barn.
- Applications are due by **December 15, 2018**.

Competition
Saturday, February 2, 2019

Location: TBD

Audition Information:

- Please arrive at least 30 minutes before your audition time to register, tune and warm-up.
- Upon entering the building, please sign in at the registration table.
- Teacher/Parent may be present to help student with tuning of their instruments.
- When a participant is called to the stage, guests and other participants will be asked to remain in warm-up area (all auditions are closed).
- All of the Young Artist Award participants are evaluated according to the City of Gaithersburg's guidelines. The evaluation process is based on previous arts competitions and juried arts programs overseen by the City of Gaithersburg and the Cultural Arts Advisory Committee.
- The decision of the jury is final.

Performance Requirements:

STRING SOLO • WOODWIND SOLO • BRASS SOLO • PIANO

- Selections from at least two contrasting music periods
- Stylistically varied compositions
- Music should be intermediate to advanced
- Memorization is recommended
- Each participant's time slot is 15 minutes:
 - Maximum performance time – 10 minutes
 - Assessment/discussion – 5 minutes

VOCAL

- Selections from at least two contrasting music periods
- The repertoire must contain selections in English and at least one other language
- Music should be intermediate to advanced
- Memorization is required
- Each participant's time slot is 15 minutes:
 - Maximum performance time – 10 minutes
 - Assessment/discussion – 5 minutes

Dress Rehearsal

Thursday, February 28, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

****All winners are required to attend dress rehearsal.**

PLEASE BE PROMPT!

Location:

Rosborough Cultural Arts Center at Asbury Methodist Village
301 Odendhal Ave.
Gaithersburg, MD 20877

Note: The Dress Rehearsal is a run through of the concert program and awards ceremony. Performers are not required to be in concert dress, but please wear attire suitable for photography. If it would be more helpful to rehearse in concert dress, please feel free to do so.

Concert

Friday, March 1, 2019 at 7:30 p.m.

****All winners must be available to perform in the Young Artist Award Concert.**

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- Performers arrive at 6:30 p.m. for 7:30 p.m. concert. Proceed directly to warm-up room.
- Bring instrument and music (if needed)
- Musical selection up to six minutes in length
- Awards Ceremony (30 minutes) will follow the 7:30 p.m. concert
- Please wear concert dress

Tickets

Concert tickets available February 4, 2019

Tickets - \$12

Parents of winners may purchase tickets at a discounted rate of \$11

Ticket Information:

The Arts Barn ticket office is open Monday-Friday from 10 a.m. – 5 p.m., Saturday 1:30 p.m. – 5:30p.m., and during performances. Tickets may be purchased with cash, check, Visa, MasterCard or Discover Card. Credit card payment is accepted over the telephone, at the box office or online at www.gaithersburgmd.gov.

Special Notice:

Parents of winners may purchase their tickets before they go on sale to the public! Parents may purchase up to two tickets at a discounted rate **February 4 – 15, 2019**. Discount promo code will be sent via email after winners are announced. Additional tickets may be purchased after February 15. Parents may walk in and purchase their tickets at the Arts Barn with cash, check or credit card, purchase online by credit card at gaithersburgmd.gov, or purchase via telephone with a credit card. We encourage parents to purchase tickets early; this program tends to sell out quickly! Call Monica Harwood at 301-258-6394 if you have questions.