

Dear Students and Parents,

In addition to being in a large ensemble, each EYSO student has the opportunity to participate in a chamber music group. This essential part of the development of a young musician helps to teach skills that improve both solo and large ensemble playing. Each player is both a soloist and team member at the same time. Playing chamber music sharpens vital listening skills and provides invaluable musicianship training. In fact, students who play in chamber ensembles typically improve faster than those who don't. There is a wealth of fantastic and significant chamber music repertoire and joining the CMI is a great way to begin learning it.

Typically, about a third of the EYSO members are enrolled in the Chamber Music Institute. Each ensemble meets for an hour every Sunday and has a regular coach. Our coaches are some of the most gifted educators and performers in the Chicago area and have a great passion for teaching. The semester ends with a series of concerts. In addition to the November 21st and April 10th main concerts, CMI groups are also invited to perform at several community concerts throughout the area.

We will do our best to place each student who applies, but may be limited by the number of applicants and the instruments they play. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely ,



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EYSO is an In-Resident-Ensemble at
Elgin Community College Arts Center

Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra

2010-11 Season



Chamber Music Institute

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Student Application

Please Print Clearly

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Instrument(s) _____

My Grade (fall 2010): _____ My Age: _____

I have been playing _____ years.

I have taken private lessons _____ years.

My Private Teacher

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email (if known): _____

Sign me up for:

First Semester

Second Semester

Please detach and return this form with your \$25 deposit (check payable to EYSO) by 9/1/10 (1st semester) or 1/3/11 (2nd semester) to:

Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra
PO Box 6508
Elgin, IL 60121-6508

I am interested in playing in:

(Please rank in order of preference, up to four)

- _____ String trio
- _____ String quartet
- _____ String quintet
- _____ Piano trio (piano, violin, cello)
- _____ Piano quartet (piano, violin, viola, cello)
- _____ Piano quintet (piano + string quartet)
- _____ Woodwind quartet
(flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon)
- _____ Woodwind quintet (ww quartet + horn)
- _____ Brass quartet (two trumpets, two trombones)
- _____ Brass quintet
(two trumpets, two trombones, horn)
- _____ Percussion ensemble
- _____ Harp ensemble
- _____ Other (please specify)

I am an EYSO member for 2010-11 Season

I auditioned for EYSO for the 2010-11 Season

I have a pre-formed chamber music ensemble with these players:

Students are strongly encouraged to form their own chamber music groups, as this makes working together much easier! *All members of pre-formed group must submit their own application and deposit by the September 1 deadline.*

I don't have a pre-formed group — please place me in a trio, quartet, or quintet.

My Parent _____
will serve as the parent coordinator for my group.

Preferred Phone: _____

WHAT YOU'LL GET

Each chamber ensemble will be assigned their own coach with whom they'll work for the entire semester. Coaches are Chicago area professionals. Coachings take place on Sunday afternoons/evenings at Elgin Community College.

Each semester you'll receive 7 coachings and other opportunities for rehearsals, master classes and/or performances.

Classes will involve discussions of chamber music, listening, music history, theory, analysis, and, of course, playing for each other!

Every group will perform one or more selections on each semester's chamber music concert:

1st semester concerts: 11/21/10 – Times TBA

2nd semester concerts: 4/10/11 – Times TBA

There will be additional performing opportunities during and before EYSO concerts, as well as in the Fox Valley area.

1st semester coachings begin Sept. 19, 2010.

2nd semester coachings begin Jan. 23, 2011.

COST

EYSO members \$250 per semester

Non-EYSO members* \$300 per semester

* Also requires a one-time \$45 audition fee.

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