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Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra
Matthew Sheppard, Artistic Director
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ELGIN YOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Founded in 1976, Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra attracts a national reputation for inspiring student curiosity, imagination, critical thinking, and collaboration.

Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra auditions hundreds of students from nearly 70 cities in Illinois and Wisconsin, supports eight large ensembles of more than 300 student musicians, and operates a thriving Chamber Music Institute.

EYSO engages students intellectually as well as musically, encouraging critical-thinking skills that benefit future pursuits and inspiring students to become “expert noticers,” skilled in observing details and how they contribute to the whole.

Artistic Director Matthew Sheppard, a leader in music education, builds a comprehensive curriculum each musical season – one that helps students develop artistically and technically – but also prepares them for a future of complex ideas, creative risk-taking, and leadership as global citizens.

EYSO’s thoughtful nurturing of musical and personal growth encourages students to become well-rounded, thoughtful communicators, and leaders in their ensembles, schools, and communities. Thousands of EYSO alumni hold successful careers as professional musicians, educators, and as leaders in their chosen field.



EYSO Artistic Director Matthew Sheppard



Chamber Music Summer Camp



Hanson String Quartet
EYSO Honors Chamber Ensemble

“EYSO challenges you...each hour is better than the last.”

- Palmer, current EYSO student musician

“EYSO has affected me in ways I couldn’t have guessed when I started...I’ve learned the importance of working in a group.”

- Trudie, EYSO alumna pursuing professional career in music

“We learned to care for our music and each other, of what it means to be part of something greater than ourselves. These lessons have served me well...as a friend, father, and husband.”

- Andy, EYSO alumnus, Principal in national firm

Elgin Youth Symphony Orchestra stands as a supportive community resource where students can express themselves freely and create the foundation for a lifelong journey of inquiry, creativity, and growth. EYSO’s Corporate Partners enable and inspire our young musicians by making life-changing investments – thank you for your support.



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