



# *YOUNG MUSICIANS FESTIVAL*

General Rules  
and  
Syllabus of Required Pieces

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## VOICE

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# GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR VOICE

## SPONSOR ELIGIBILITY

1. Every student must be sponsored annually by an individual teacher. Music schools may not be sponsors. The sponsoring teacher must either
  - a) be a paid-up member of THE SCHUBERT CLUB of FAIRFIELD COUNTY, INC. as of the deadline for Festival applications, or
  - b) submit a sponsoring teacher fee of \$40.00 along with the student application fees on the Teacher Registration Form.
2. The YMF is a nonprofit, volunteer enterprise that relies on the active participation of all teachers involved. Teachers entering students should be prepared to volunteer at least two hours of time. All teachers will be asked to assist with some aspect of the operation of Festival such as reception or room monitoring.

## STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

1. Entrants must be under 19 years of age as of March 1st of the Festival year.
2. Entrants may participate up to and including the senior year of high school.

## FEES

1. The cost for an application is \$10.00.
2. Sponsoring teachers (non-Schubert Club members) submit an additional \$40.00 sponsor fee with student applications.
3. Fees are not refundable.

## APPLICATIONS

1. Applications (and the appropriate fees) must be received by the Festival deadline. Incomplete applications will be returned. The Festival reserves the right to disqualify entrants for infractions of these rules.
2. One application must be completed for each entrant.
3. In a given year, entrants may enter one class in Art Song and one class in Musical Theater.
4. All checks should be made payable to The Schubert Club.

## SCORES and PHOTOCOPYING

1. Published scores of the required and choice pieces (not photocopies) must be provided for the judges. Permission must be sought from the publisher for music that is out of print, not just unavailable or temporarily out of stock.
2. Required pieces MUST be chosen from the current YMF Syllabus published by the Festival Committee and available from the Festival Registrar. Separate Syllabi are available for other instruments.

3. Please number the measures so that the adjudicators can use them as reference.

## **ACCOMPANIMENT**

Teacher's should secure a live accompanist for their students whenever possible. A list of accompanists is available on request. CD's or cassette tapes may be used but please ensure that your student brings a suitable player.

## **TIME LIMITS**

Teachers are asked to observe the following guidelines for time limits (combined required and choice compositions). If pieces are likely to exceed these limits (perhaps the required piece is a long one), please attach a note to the application for the Registrar.

Primary Division	5 minutes
Elementary & Junior Division	6 minutes
Senior Division	8 minutes
Musically Advanced Division	10 minutes

## **PHOTOGRAPHY & CELL PHONES**

No flash photography or cell phone pictures should be taken during a performance. Photographs can be taken after the event. Please make sure you turn off all cell phones when entering the room.

## **VIDEO RECORDING**

Videotaping will be allowed during Festival performances. Parents will be guided by the Room Monitors to set up equipment in advance of the class performances and to operate cameras from the back of the room to keep disruption at a minimum. Please turn off any electronic sounds that may beep or playback performer during recording.

## **AWARDS and CERTIFICATES**

Each performance will receive a rating from the presiding judges: Gold (5 points), Blue (4 points), Red (3 points), Green (2 points) or Yellow (1 point). A large certificate of the appropriate color will be issued to each Festival participant for the event entered. The number of consecutive Gold ratings earned will be noted on the Gold certificates. Points will be accumulated for each Instrument-Event. When 15 points have been earned the first Gold Cup will be awarded, pending points going toward a second cup, etc..

## **GOLD CUP PLAN**

All points counted toward a Gold Cup must be earned in the same event, with one exception. High school seniors may aggregate points across performance events on a given instrument (i.e. Violin Solo, Violin Concerto and Violin Duet) and with composition.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

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## JUNIOR MUSICIANS FESTIVAL – ART SONG

**There is no age group attached to each division. Teachers should consider ability and years of study when deciding which division to enter their students. Entrants must sing one of the listed required pieces below plus a contrasting unlisted choice piece of comparable difficulty and musical quality. All songs must be memorized.**

### **CHOICE PIECE for ART SONG EVENT**

1. The Art Song choice piece may be chosen from any country or musical period and should be a contrasting selection.
2. The Art Song choice piece must be an original composition, not a simplified song. Published folk song arrangements are permitted.
3. The Art Song choice piece must not be from the Musical Theater repertoire.
4. The teacher may choose the key best suited to the student's voice.
5. The Art Song choice piece must be sung in a foreign language at Senior and Musically Advanced levels.

### PRIMARY DIVISION

Pathways of Song Volume 1	Maiden Tell Me	arr. Frank LaForge
Pathways of Song Volume 2	By The Light Of the Moon	arr. Will Earhart
My Heart Sings	Good News, Chariot's A-Comin'	arr. Mark Patterson
Vocal Solo (BriLee Publications)	Build Me a World	Ginger Littleton
Vocal Solo (BriLee Publications)	Alleluia	Michael Scott
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 1	Amazing Grace	arr. Jay Althouse
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 1	Greensleeves	arr. Philip Kern
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 1	Danny Boy	arr. Julie Knowles
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 1	To the Sky	Carl Strommen
Ready to Sing.... Folk Songs	All Through the Night	arr. Jay Althouse
Ready to Sing.... Folk Songs	Li'l 'Liza Jane	arr. Jay Althouse
Ready to Sing.... Folk Songs	The Water is Wide	arr. Jay Althouse
Ready to Sing.... Folk Songs	Oh, Susanna	arr. Stephen Foster
36 Solos for Young Singers	Sidewalks of New York	Lawlor & Blake
36 Solos for Young Singers	Peace of the River	Viola Wood
36 Solos for Young Singers	Little David, Play on Your Harp	arr. H T Burleigh
36 Solos for Young Singers	Home on the Range	Trad.
36 Solos for Young Singers	The Weather	Benjamin M Culli

### ELEMENTARY DIVISION

Easy Songs for the Beginning Soprano	Alice Blue Gown	Harry Tierney
Easy Songs for the Beginning Soprano	The Lilac Tree	George H Gartlin
Easy Songs for the Beginning Soprano	The False Prophet	John Prindle Scott
Easy Songs for the Beginning Soprano	Two Marionettes	Edith Cooke
Easy Songs for the Beginning Mezzo	Early One Morning	arr. Gerrard Williams
Easy Songs for the Beginning Mezzo Pt 2	Just for This	Amy Beach
Easy Songs for the Beginning Tenor	If You've Only Got a Moustache	Stephen Foster
The 1 <sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Soprano Solos	Christopher Robin is Saying His Prayers	H Fraser Simpson
The 1 <sup>st</sup> Book of Tenor Solos	Wayfaring Stranger	John Jacob Niles
The 1 <sup>st</sup> Book of Tenor Solos	My Lord What a Mornin'	Jack Johnson
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 1	Homeward Bound	Marta Keen

Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 1

Liza Jane

arr. Jay Althouse

Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 2  
My Heart Sings  
My Heart Sings  
Pathways of Song Volume 1  
Selected Solos for Contest Set 2  
Selected Solos for Contest Set 2  
Selected Solos for Contest Set 2

Cindy  
Send Forth a Song  
If  
The Sandman  
Skye Boat Song  
I Know Where I'm Goin'  
Green Grow the Lilacs

arr. Jay Althouse  
Mark Patterson  
Mark Patterson  
arr. Frank LaForge  
arr. Douglas E Wagner  
Douglas E Wagner  
Glibert M Martin

## JUNIOR DIVISION

Copland Old American Songs (Set 1)  
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 2  
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 2  
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 2  
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 2  
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 2  
Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 2  
15 American Art Songs  
15 American Art Songs or  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Solos Pt 1  
15 American Art Songs or  
Songs by 22 Americans or  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Solos Pt 1  
15 American Art Songs or  
Songs by 22 Americans or  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Solos Pt 1  
Heroes and Vagabonds  
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Heroes and Vagabonds  
Leonard Bernstein: Song Album  
Leonard Bernstein: Song Album  
Leonard Bernstein: Song Album  
My Heart Sings  
Solo Songs for Young Voices  
Solo Songs for Young Voices  
Solo Songs for Young Voices  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Solos  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Solos  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Baritone/Bass Solos Part 2

Simple Gifts  
Go 'Way from My Window  
Shenandoah  
The Water is Wide  
Simple Gifts  
Fire Down Below  
Poor Wayfarin' Stranger  
The Daisies  
The Lass from the Low Country

Aaron Copland  
arr. Ruth Elaine Schram  
arr. Jay Althouse  
arr. Mark Hayes  
arr. Mark Hayes  
arr. Jay Althouse  
arr. Jay Althouse  
Samuel Barber  
John Jacob Niles

American Lullaby

Gladys Rich

This Little Rose

William Roy

Baloo Baleerie  
Give Me Wings  
Red River Valley  
Sing to Me Once Again Thy Song  
The British Grenadiers  
It Must Be So  
Never-Land  
Who Am I?  
Things My Heart Will Know  
Song of the Sea  
The Sundown Sea  
The Wild Mountain Thyme  
Cloud Shadows  
Go 'Way from My Window  
Deep River

Mark Patterson  
Mark Patterson  
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Mark Patterson  
Mark Patterson  
Leonard Bernstein  
Leonard Bernstein  
Leonard Bernstein  
Mark Patterson  
arr. Ed Snyder  
arr. Ed Snyder  
arr. Ed Snyder  
James H Rogers  
John Jacob Niles  
arr. H T Burleigh

## SENIOR DIVISION

American Arias (Mezzo or Baritone) or  
Leonard Bernstein: Song Album  
Copland Old American Songs (Set 2)  
Copland Old American Songs (Set 2)  
Copland Old American Songs (Set 2)  
American Art Songs of the Turn  
American Art Songs of the Turn  
15 American Art Songs or  
The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Soprano Solos  
15 American Art Songs

A Simple Song  
Zion's Walls  
The Little Horses  
Ching-a-Ring Chaw  
Narcissus  
Will o' the Wisp  
When I have sung my songs

Leonard Bernstein

Aaron Copland  
Aaron Copland  
Aaron Copland  
Ethelbert Nevin  
Charles Gilbert Spross  
Ernest Charles

Cabin

Paul Bowles

15 American Art Songs or

Loveliest of Trees

John Duke

Songs by 22 Americans or  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Solos Pt 1  
 Lee Hoiby - Thirteen songs  
 Lee Hoiby - Thirteen songs  
 Lee Hoiby - Thirteen songs  
 My Heart Sings  
 My Heart Sings  
 My Heart Sings  
 My Heart Sings  
 My Heart Sings  
 10 Spirituals for Solo Voice  
 10 Spirituals for Solo Voice  
 10 Spirituals for Solo Voice  
 Spirituals for Solo Singers  
 Spirituals for Solo Singers  
 Spirituals for Solo Singers  
 Spirituals for Solo Singers  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Soprano Solos  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Soprano Solos  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Solos Pt 1  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Tenor Solos

Always It's Spring  
 Where the Music Comes From  
 The Lady of the Harbor  
 The Violet  
 The Lark in the Clear Air  
 Song of the River  
 Great Day  
 Ye Banks and Braes  
 Give Me Jesus  
 Joshua Fit the Battle of Jericho  
 There is a balm in Gilead  
 Climbin' Up the Mountain  
 Ezekiel's Wheel  
 Let Us Break Bread Together  
 My Lord, What a Mornin'  
 The Green Dog  
 Lullaby  
 Jesus Walked this Lonesome Valley  
 My Lady Walks in Loveliness

Lee Hoiby  
 Lee Hoiby  
 Lee Hoiby  
 Mark Patterson  
 Mark Patterson  
 Mark Patterson  
 Mark Patterson  
 Mark Patterson  
 arr. Mark Hayes  
 arr. Mark Hayes  
 arr. Mark Hayes  
 arr. Patsy Ford Simms  
 arr. Philip Kern  
 arr. Jay Althouse  
 arr. Jay Althouse  
 Herbert Kingsley  
 Michael Scott  
 Gordon Myers  
 Ernest Charles

#### MUSICALLY ADVANCED DIVISION

15 American Art Songs or  
 Songs by 22 Americans  
 15 American Art Songs  
 15 American Art Songs  
 American Art Songs of the Turn  
 Anthology of Art Songs  
 Art Song in English or  
 Art Songs & Arias  
 Barber : Collected Songs  
 Barber : Collected Songs  
 Barber : Collected Songs or  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Soprano Solos  
 Classical Contest Solos or  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Mezzo-Sop/Alto Pt 2  
 Contemporary Art Songs  
 Contemporary Art Songs  
 Songs by 22 Americans or  
 Leonard Bernstein: Song Album  
 Leonard Bernstein: Song Album  
 Marc Blitzstein Songbook Vol. 1  
**Print on Demand (see below) or**  
 O, Redeemed  
 Six Elizabethan Songs  
 Songs by 22 Americans  
 Songs by 22 Americans  
 10 Spiritual Songs for Solo Voice  
 The 1<sup>st</sup> Book of Soprano Solos  
 The 2<sup>nd</sup> Book of Soprano Solos  
 The 2<sup>nd</sup> Book of Tenor Solos Part 2

Sure on this Shining Night  
  
 Do not go my love  
 The Monk and His Cat  
 'Twas April  
 Soliloquy  
 Why did they shut me out of heaven?

Samuel Barber  
  
 Richard Hageman  
 Samuel Barber  
 Ethelbert Nevin  
 John W Work III  
 Aaron Copland

Now Have I Fed and Eaten Up the Rose  
 With Rue My heart is Laden  
 The Crucifixion

Samuel Barber  
 Samuel Barber  
 Samuel Barber

The Blue-Bell

Edward MacDowell

When I bring you Colour'd Toys  
 Must the Winter Come So Soon?  
 I Hate Music

John Alden Carpenter  
 Samuel Barber  
 Leonard Bernstein

Plum Pudding  
 What will it be for me?  
**There are angels hov'rin' roun'**

Leonard Bernstein  
 Marc Blitzstein  
**arr. Uzee Brown**

Spring  
 O Lovely World  
 Once a lady was here  
 Deep River  
 Let my song fill your heart  
 Take, O Take Those Lips Away  
 Strings in the Earth and Air

Dominick Argento  
 Ernest Charles  
 Paul Bowles  
 arr. Mark Hayes  
 Ernest Charles  
 Amy Beach  
 Samuel Barber

Laurie's Song (Sheet Music)

Laurie's Song

Aaron Copland

## JUNIOR MUSICIANS FESTIVAL – MUSICAL THEATER

Two contrasting songs should be chosen at an appropriate level for the age group. Songs may be chosen from Broadway, musicals or movies but entrants are discouraged from selecting songs from pop/rock style musicals or singing in a heavy “belting” voice. Music must be memorized.

### Anthologies for Art Song

- American Arias (Mezzo or Baritone books)  
Publ: Boosey & Hawkes (*CD available*)
- Art Songs in English – 50 Songs by 20 American and British composers  
Publ: Boosey & Hawkes (High & Low Settings)
- Art Songs & Arias  
By Aaron Copland Publ: Boosey & Hawkes (High & Medium/Low Settings)
- American Art Songs of the Turn of the Century  
Ed: Paul Sperry Publ: Dover Publications, Inc. NY
- 15 American Art Songs (Medium High/Medium Low available)  
Compiled: Gary Arvin Publ: G Schirmer, Inc. (*CD available*)
- Anthology of Art Songs by Black American Composers  
arr. Willis C Patterson Publ: Marks
- Barber : Collected Songs (High & Low Voice available)  
By Samuel Barber Publ: G Schirmer/Hal Leonard
- Classical Contest Solos – Mezzo Soprano  
Publ: Harold Leonard Corporation (*CD Available*)
- Contemporary Art Songs (28 songs by American & British Composers)  
Distr: Hal Leonard Publ: G. Schirmer, Inc.
- Copland - Old American Songbook Set 1 & Set 2 or Complete (Complete available in High & Low Settings)  
by Aaron Copland Publ: Boosey & Hawkes
- Easy Songs for the Beginning Soprano  
Compiled by Joan Frey Boytim Publi: G Schirmer, Inc. (*CD Available*)
- Easy Songs for the Beginning Mezzo-Soprano/Alto  
Compiled by Joan Frey Boytim Publi: G Schirmer, Inc. (*CD Available*)
- Easy Songs for the Beginning Mezzo-Soprano/Alto Part 2  
Compiled by Joan Frey Boytim Publi: G Schirmer, Inc. (*CD Available*)
- Easy Songs for the Beginning Tenor  
Compiled by Joan Frey Boytim Publi: G Schirmer, Inc. (*CD Available*)
- Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol 1 (Medium High & Medium Low available)  
Compiled & Ed: Jay Althouse Publ: Alfred (*CD available*)
- Folk Songs for Solo Singers Vol. 2 (Medium High & Medium Low available)  
Compiled & Ed: Jay Althouse Publ: Alfred (*CD Available*)
- Heroes & Vagabonds: Solo Songs for the Male Changing Voice  
Publ: BriLee Music Distr. Carl Fischer Music
- Laurie’s Song (Sheet Music) from The Tender Land (The Tender Land is also available)  
By Aaron Copland Publ: Boosey & Hawkes
- Lee Hoiby – Thirteen Songs  
Publ: G Schirmer Inc. Distr: Hal Leonard
- Leonard Bernstein Song Album  
Publ: Leonard Berstein Distr: Boosey & Hawkes
- Marc Blitzstein Songbook: Volume 1  
by Marc Blitzstein Publ Boosey & Hawkes
- My Heart Sings : Solo Songs for the developing treble voice

Composed, compiled and arranged by Mark Patterson (*CD available*)  
 Publ: BriLee Music Distr: Carl Fischer Music

Old American Songs – Second Set  
 by Aaron Copland Publ: Boosey & Hawkes

O, Redeemed  
 by Uzee Brown Publ: Roger Dean

Pathways of Song (High & Low Voice available)  
 Compiled by Frank LaForge & Will Earhart Publ: Warner Bros. Publications Inc.

Ready to Sing.... Folk Songs  
 Ed: Jay Althouse Publ: Alfred Publishing

Selected Solos for Contest, Set 2 (High & Low voice available) (*Print on Demand @ [www.lorenz.com](http://www.lorenz.com)*)  
 Publ: Heritage Music Press/Lorenz Publishing Co.

Six Elizabethan Songs  
 Publ: Boosey & Hawkes

36 Solos for Young Singers  
 Compiled by Joan Frey Boytim Publ: Hal Leonard (*CD available*)

Solo Songs for Young Voices  
 arr. Ed Snyder Publ: Warner Bros.

Songs by 22 Americans  
 Compiled: Bernard Taylor Publ: G Schirmer, Inc.

Spirituals for Solo Singers (Medium High & Medium Low available)  
 arr. Jay Althouse Publ: Alfred (*CD accompaniment available*)

10 Spirituals for Solo Voice (Medium High & Medium Low available)  
 arr.: Mark Hayes Publ: Alfred (*CD accompaniment available*)

The First Book of Soprano Solos  
 Compiled by Joan Jay Boytim Publ: G. Schirmer Distr: Hal Leonard (*CD available*)

The First Book of Mezzo-Soprano/Alto Solos Part 1  
 Compiled by Joan Jay Boytim Publ: G. Schirmer Distr: Hal Leonard (*CD available*)

The First Book of Tenor Solos  
 Compiled by Joan Jay Boytim Publ: G. Schirmer Distr: Hal Leonard (*CD available*)

The Second Book of Tenor Solos – Part 2  
 Compiled by Joan Jay Boytim Publ: G. Schirmer Distr: Hal Leonard (*CD available*)

The First Book of Baritone Solos – Book 2  
 Compiled by Joan Jay Boytim Publ: G. Schirmer Distr: Hal Leonard (*CD available*)

There are angels hov'rin roun'  
 Lorenz Corporation (*print on demand*)

Vocal Solos  
 Publ: BriLee Music Distr. Carl Fischer Music