



2018 Sounds of Excellence Concert: Student Audition Form



The Conservatory is proud to present the 6th annual “Sounds of Excellence” concert at the Kimmel Center on **Saturday April 21st, 2018 at 1:00PM**. The concert will be held in the Perelman Theatre. This is a free concert but reservations must be made through The Conservatory.

Audition Dates:

Friday, February 23rd 4:00pm – 8:00pm and Saturday, February 24th 10:00am – 3:00pm (*Snow Dates: 3/2 & 3/3, same times*)

Audition Fee: *Payment is due with the audition form*

\$50.00 – Per solo performer

\$20.00- Per ensemble/duet performer

Example: “Jane” wants to audition with a solo piano piece as well as with the Jazz Ensemble. The total cost would be \$70: \$50 for the solo piano piece and \$20 for auditioning with the Jazz Ensemble.

Audition Requirements:

All students auditioning must be registered for private lessons or a group ensemble at The Conservatory.

Repertoire Selection:

There is no theme for the concert this year, all genres and styles of music are encouraged! The repertoire maximum is 8 minutes. Auditioning with multiple pieces does not guarantee a performance space or that all pieces will be selected.

Memorized music is highly encouraged for vocal, piano and solo instrumentalist. Performers who use music must use the original music. No photo copies are permitted per the Kimmel Center.

Accompanist:

For students who need an accompanist, Betsy Young will be available for a rehearsal and the audition. Betsy will contact the families to schedule a 15-minute rehearsal. Please be prepared to pay Betsy \$15.00 (*exact cash please*). Longer rehearsals can be scheduled based on Betsy’s availability. The accompanist can use a photo copy of the accompaniment for the performance.

Audition Sign-up Deadline:

-Students requesting an accompanist, forms are due by **Wednesday, January 31st**. *The music must be attached to the registration form.* This date is to ensure that we give enough time to Betsy Young to arrange for all rehearsals before the audition. Any requests for an accompanist after this date are not guaranteed.

-Students performing without an accompanist, forms are due by **Wednesday, February 14th**.

Dress Code:

Students auditioning should be dressed in appropriate professional concert attire. No jeans or athletic wear please.

Notification of Acceptance:

Students will be notified of their acceptance by **Friday, March 9th**

-This year all families with a student accepted into the concert will be required to purchase an Ad for the program, see attached form for more information.

Scoring:

The age of the student is taken into consideration along with a score of 1 – 5 in the following areas:

- Accuracy
- Style/Interpretation
- Stage Presence
- Rhythm
- Tone quality
- Balance
(duets/ensembles)
- Diction (vocal)
- Projection (vocal)
- Breath Control (vocal)
- Appropriate Attire

