



Southwestern Youth Music Festival

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Welcome to...

The 60th Annual Southwestern Youth Music Festival Bob Cole Conservatory of Music, Cal-State University at Long Beach (CSULB) Student/Parent Festival Information and Procedure

All families of entrants and their teachers will receive an invitation to download the SYMF App. Only invited email addresses entered in the payment form will get access to the app. This app is your virtual guide to the competition. Most importantly, you will be able to get the results of a category within the app, without having to gather around a bulletin board. The following procedures and any updates will also be posted to the app.

Original music, no photocopies, must be given to the judges. Photocopies will result in disqualification. If you have downloaded music, it must be approved by SYMF before the audition. Contact info@symf.org with any questions. Collaborative pianists may use a digital device for music but must also have original music or receipt of music purchase. Photocopies may be used to help facilitate page turns are accepted. Teachers are not allowed to accompany their own students.

COVID Health Protocols

- **All entrants must be fully COVID vaccinated to the extent possible for the entrant's age, or show a negative PCR test result taken within 48 hours prior to their audition. You will be able to upload your vaccination card or PCR test result online prior to the audition.**
- **No warm up rooms will be available.**
- For the safety of participants an adult must accompany all entrants under 18 at all times. To avoid further crowding, please limit guests to one adult per entrant.
- Masks must be worn correctly at all times by the entrant and their accompanying adult. Wind performers may remove masks for auditions.
- Due to the high volume of participants during the SYMF, please do not gather in hallways or confined spaces on the campus; stay in an open area. If you are between auditions and have the time, please leave the campus and return later.
- There will be no winner's recital this year but trophies will be available for pick up after the winners are announced.

Parking

- Visit <https://web.csulb.edu/colleges/cota/music/maps/> for the most recent maps from CSULB.
- The Bob Cole Conservatory of Music is located on the northeast corner of CSULB, at the intersection of Atherton Street and Palo Verde Avenue.
- Use parking lots G12 and the Palo Verde North Parking Structure located on the northeast corner of the campus. Parking is \$15 a day.

Before the Audition

- The Student Entry Label identifies the entrant to SYMF (a photo of your label will also be accepted).
- **You must present your Student Entry Label to the Adjudicator Assistant in order to audition.**
- Entrants should plan to arrive and be on campus at least 30 minutes before their Approximate Performance Time. Locate your audition room and the waiting area for your room.
- If you are early or not waiting for an audition, please stay in an open area outside the hallways, or leave the area to avoid over crowding.
- The Adjudicator Assistant will call out the category and entrant numbers as their performance time approaches. The next 3 to 5 entrants to perform will be seated, in performance order, in chairs next the audition room.
- Any downloaded, digital sheet music must be reviewed and approved by SYMF prior to the audition, Please go to the Tab room (room C205) for approval.

During the Audition

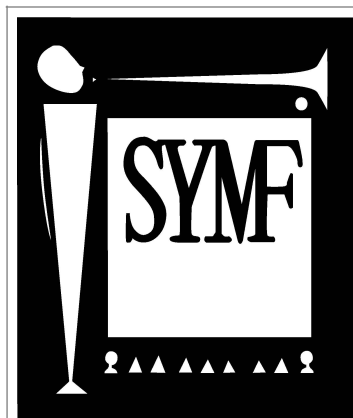
- **All auditions are closed.** The accompanying adult may wait outside the door during the audition.
- Music, open to the page of the pieces to be performed, must be given to the Adjudicator Assistant who will in turn give them to the adjudicators. Entrants may not talk to the adjudicators.
- After performing, the music will be returned to the performer. Please leave the buildings and hallways after your audition to avoid over crowding. You may go any open area outside to await your results.

Getting the Results

- **Results will be posted on the SYMF App. Look for your category by clicking on Agenda. You can scroll to your category or search for your category name by entering the category in the search bar. Click on your category to view results.** This may take up to a half hour for results to be posted. Families/teachers will require the SYMF App to get the results.
- If your category shows that the your entry number is a winner, proceed to the trophy pick up area in front of the Gerald R. Daniel Recital Hall (A-100). Entrants must present their Student Entry Label to receive their trophy. Trophies may be picked up at anytime during the Festival after the winners of the category have been posted.

Sample Student Entry Label

**Students must present their Entry Labels to the
Adjudicator Assistant in order to audition
(This is not your actual Entry Label)**



John Smith

P Q 10, #7

7-24-22

Category Begins: 10:05 AM

Approx Perf Time: 10:35 AM

Rm: C402

Teacher#: 500

John Smith – Entrant's name

P Q 10, #7 - Category name (Piano Qualified Solo 10), entrant number 7

7-24-22 – Date of audition

10:05 AM – Time this category starts

10:35 AM – Entrant's Approximate Performance Time

Rm: C402 – Audition room.

Teacher#: 500 – Your teacher's SYMF ID number

Please arrive at least a 30 minutes before your Approximate Performance Time to check the room schedule. The Adjudicator Assistant will give you a more accurate time of when you will perform. Please be aware that auditions may run late, so we appreciate everyone being flexible.

Due to health and safety protocols, warm up rooms will NOT be available.