



# Young Artist Concerto Competition

*Sponsored by the Ozark Festival Orchestra  
and the Barry-Lawrence Area United Fund*

**Applications Due: October 18, 2025**

**Audition Date: November 15, 2025**

**Concert Date: February 22, 2026 at 3:00**

**Junior Division: 9th grade or younger**

**Senior Division: grades 10-12**

Medals awarded to all contestants. Winner(s) will perform in concert with the OFO February 22, 2026.

## ELIGIBILITY:

1. Contestants (vocal, piano or other instrument) must be a student in a public, private or home school in a population center of less than 25,000. Any student or family member of an OFO member may compete regardless of population center.
2. Contestant must be studying/taking private lessons with an instructor who can prepare him/her for the performance situation.
3. Contestants must choose one movement from a concerto (or a solo, aria or Broadway tune) that can be performed with the orchestra. All repertoire must be approved by the OFO music director prior to audition.
4. Contestants must audition with an accompanist. Memorization is NOT required.
5. Contestants must bring a musical score to the audition for the OFO director.
6. Winner(s) will attend the dress rehearsal and all rehearsals agreed upon with the director, to prepare for the performance. The winner will perform in concert with the OFO on Sunday, February 22, 2026.
7. Previous winners are not eligible to compete, even in a different medium. However, a Jr. Division winner may compete in the Sr. Division upon reaching 10th grade – in either the same or another medium.
8. A \$15 entry fee must be submitted with your completed application (see contact info and application on back).
9. Winners names are engraved on a plaque that hangs in the foyer of the PAC.

## APPLICATION:

Name of contestant: \_\_\_\_\_

Contestant's Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Contestant's Grade in School \_\_\_\_\_

Name of parent/guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of school contestant attends: \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument or voice type: \_\_\_\_\_

Repertoire (title, composer, movement): \_\_\_\_\_

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Name of private teacher: \_\_\_\_\_

Return your completed application, along with \$15 entry fee (make check payable to Ozark Festival Orchestra) to:

Natalie Sneed, 232 E. Grace St., Republic, MO 65738

Questions? Email Natalie at [nataliebsneed70@gmail.com](mailto:nataliebsneed70@gmail.com) or text 417-827-6706

Applications can be found on our website: [ozarkfestivalorchestra.org](http://ozarkfestivalorchestra.org)