

# Important Full Orchestra Audition FAQ

## What instruments are accepted?

HYS accepts violin, viola, cello, bass, flute (piccolo), oboe, clarinet, bassoon, horn, trumpet, trombone, baritone, tuba, percussion, and harp. Auditions for piano and saxophone are not held, but HYS offers a summer program, Pacific Music Institute, that accepts these instruments.

## Can I audition for two instruments?

You may audition for more than one instrument, but you must send in separate applications and fees for each instrument.

## How do I know which group to try out for?

Refer to our age eligibility criteria and consult with your private teacher. The following short descriptions may help.

**YSI** students tend to have 4 to 6 years of experience. This group performs major symphonic works by Tchaikovsky, Beethoven, Rachmaninoff, etc.

**YSII** students tend to have 3 to 5 years of experience. This group performs less difficult symphonic works by Tchaikovsky, Beethoven, Rachmaninoff, etc.

**CO** students tend to have 2 to 4 years of experience. This group performs abridged versions of symphonic works.

## What music do I play?

The highest group you are auditioning for determines what music you must play. **It is your responsibility to ensure that you have all the required music.** Use the following table to find your requirements:

Choose one from each row & column	Trying out for CO	Trying out for YSII	Trying out for YSI
	<i>I must play the following music:</i>		
I'm new	CO	CO & YSII	CO, YSII & YSI
I'm in CO	CO	CO & YSII	CO, YSII & YSI
I'm in YSII	n/a	YSII	YSII & YSI
I'm in YSI	n/a	n/a	YSI

## When are rehearsals?

Rehearsals are held every Sunday from September through May in the University area for YSI and YSII. CO rehearsals will be held at Niu Valley Middle School from 12—2 pm winds/percussion and 1—3 pm all strings (**times are tentative**). Students are expected to attend all rehearsals and concerts.

## If I am accepted, how much does it cost?

In order to provide quality programs, HYS spends over \$1200 per student. However, the 2007-2008 **anticipated** registration fee per student is \$300 for the full season. Financial aid information is available upon registration.

## Do I have to take private lessons?

Yes, private lessons are required.

# 2007-2008 Audition Policies & Deadlines

## ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

This table outlines age eligibility. HYS accepts students through grade 12 only. In order to ensure fairness, we do not make exceptions to age eligibility.

GROUP	AGE ON 1/1/07	MUST BE BORN IN OR BEFORE
Youth Symphony I	13 years on 1/1/07	1993
Youth Symphony II	12 years on 1/1/07	1994
Concert Orchestra	10 years on 1/1/07	1996

## AUDITION DAYS & TIMES

All auditions will be held at the **University of Hawaii Music Department**. YOU ONLY NEED TO AUDITION ONCE. The highest group you are auditioning for determines which day your audition is held. For example, if you are auditioning for YSI & YSII, you will audition during the YSI time only, but will play all required excerpts at that time. The exact time of your audition will be assigned, then mailed or emailed to you no earlier than May 23.

INSTRUMENT	YSI	YSII	CO
VIOLIN	June 2	June 3	June 10
VIOLA, CELLO, BASS	June 3	June 2	June 10
BRASS	June 9	June 10	June 10
WOODWIND	June 10	June 9	June 9
PERCUSSION	June 9	June 10	June 10

## WHAT YOU NEED TO DO

This list outlines what YOU are expected to do in the audition process. **The student will...**

1. **Read and comply** with all HYS audition policies. *DEADLINES ARE CLEARLY OUTLINED ON THE FOLLOWING PAGE.*
2. Complete **application** ON TIME and turn in to HYS office with all applicable fees included.
3. Prepare audition **music**. *It is your responsibility to ensure that you have all the required audition music.*
4. Inform HYS of any **changes** to application data ASAP or by May 14.
5. **Check in** 30 minutes prior to his/her assigned audition time at the University of Hawaii Music Department. *Times and directions will be mailed or emailed no earlier than May 24.*
6. Have music and all accessories on hand upon check-in.
7. Be ready-to-go at audition time.
8. Enjoy making music!

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## SPECIAL CASES—THIS MAY BE YOU

### 1. You are taking the SAT test

If you expect your audition time to be on June 2nd and you are taking the **SAT**, please include this information on your application. You will be scheduled in the afternoon.

### 2. You have prior commitments or live off-island

If you know that you can't make the appropriate audition day due to conflicts, you will need to audition early. This means that you will need to be taped by one of our music staff during the week of May 28. **This option requires an additional \$10 fee.**

If you live **off-island** and absolutely can't come to auditions, you must arrange to record the audition music. Your tape must be received by June 1. **This option also requires the additional \$10 fee.**

Audition tapes will be played during live audition times. Call HYS at 941-9706 for more info.

**NO LATE AUDITIONS ARE ALLOWED.**

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# HYS 2007-2008 Audition Application

You must review all audition policies as outlined on this brochure. Please take your time and provide accurate and complete information. Thank you for applying and GOOD LUCK!

## Complete number 1—6 below.

1. I am auditioning for the following groups: (Check all that apply.)

Youth Symphony I  
 Youth Symphony II  
 Concert Orchestra

2. Are you a current HYS member?  Yes  No

If YES, which group? \_\_\_\_\_

Total years in HYS? \_\_\_\_\_

3. Check one of the following:

I will pick up the audition music from the HYS office.  I got the music from your Website.  
 Send me the audition music. (ENCLOSE a self-addressed, stamped envelope.)  My teacher gave me the audition music.

4. Provide the following information so that we may verify eligibility:

My birthday is: \_\_\_\_\_

5. I am taking the SAT on June 2nd. Please schedule me for afternoon, if applicable.

Yes  No

6. I need to schedule/submit a tape audition due to scheduling conflicts. I have read the policy & will include the extra \$10 fee.

Yes  No

## Complete your personal information below. PLEASE PRINT.

Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME First Middle Last

MAILING ADDRESS Street no. City, State Zip

HOME PHONE EMAIL\* IF YOU PROVIDE EMAIL, PLEASE CHECK IT!

FATHER or Guardian Full Name Father Work and Cell Numbers

MOTHER or Guardian Full Name Mother Work and Cell Numbers

Your SCHOOL for 2007-2008 Your GRADE in 2007-2008

Your Private TEACHER Total YEARS of Lessons

**\* IF YOU PROVIDE AN EMAIL, WE WILL CONTACT YOU BY EMAIL. PLEASE BE SURE TO CHECK FREQUENTLY.**

## IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

Please apply on time. **Fees are non-refundable.**

### April 13: Audition music

Audition music available online.

### May 4: APPLICATIONS DUE

Applications with a \$25 application fee **must be received in our office by 5 pm.** Add \$10 if you need to schedule/submit a tape.

### May 5 — 21: LATE APPLICATIONS

Late applications are accepted with a \$35 application fee **IF RECEIVED BY 5 PM ON MAY 21.** Add \$10 for a tape audition.

### Approximately May 24: AUDITION TIMES

Your audition times will be mailed or emailed to you. Tape audition times will be scheduled via phone.

### Week of May 28: TAPE AUDITIONS

Tape auditions will be held with a member of HYS music staff. Self-taped auditions are due to the office by June 1.

**FEES**  
**INCLUDE ALL APPLICABLE FEES. CHECK ALL THAT APPLY.**

Applying on or before May 4:  
**Include \$25**

Applying between May 5 and 21:  
**Include \$35**

Need to arrange a tape audition:  
**Include \$10**

**PAYMENT METHOD:**

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ for \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Cash \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Fees are non-refundable.**

I have read and understand HYS audition policies and have reviewed them with my parent/guardian. I will comply with all deadlines and submit all applicable fees. I will provide HYS with complete and accurate information. I will arrive on-time and prepared at my assigned audition time. If I do not arrive on time, I understand that I will have to wait to audition after all other students have finished.

Student Signature **REQUIRED** \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature **REQUIRED** \_\_\_\_\_

RETURN BY APPLICATION DEADLINE TO:  
 HYS  
 1110 University Avenue, Suite 200  
 Honolulu, HI 96826