

American Youth Philharmonic Orchestras presents

# SINFONIETTA

A NEW ENSEMBLE FOR ADVANCED LEVEL STRING PLAYERS



"... widely considered the flagship of the D.C. area youth orchestra programs."

- The Washington Post

## What is AYS?

### *American Youth Sinfonietta*

AYPO is growing, and inviting talented, advanced level string players (8-12th graders) to audition for its newest orchestra. This new ensemble will perform string orchestra works and string with percussion in concordance with the Virginia Band and Orchestra Directors' level 4-6.

The American Youth Sinfonietta will aim to include works by underrepresented composers and arrangers. AYS will perform two regular concerts and plans to perform one outreach concert. The Sinfonietta will act as an ambassador to the organization and work to reach audiences who may not otherwise attend an AYPO concert.

AYS will rehearse on Monday evenings at an FCPS school close to other rehearsal spaces from **7:00 - 9:00 pm beginning on September 13, 2021**. Concert dates and rehearsal schedules with locations will be released August 13, 2021. Tuition is \$850 with the season ending in early spring.



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[Adrienne Caravan](#)



## Audition Information

*violin | viola | cello | bass | piano*

### Auditions requirements

- Submit an **AYPO audition application**.
- Submit an unlisted YouTube video of a solo or a portion of a solo of your choice and the **excerpt** for your instrument.

**VIOLIN** from Dvorak Serenade no repeats

**VIOLA** from Bach Brandenburg No. 6 mvt. 1 only

**CELLO** from Mendelssohn Hebrides Overture

**BASS** from Handel Messiah Overture

**PIANO** from Bernstein Mambo excerpt only

**Auditions will be accepted on a rolling basis between now and September 1, 2021.**

**Please email your completed audition to [sinfonietta@aypo.org](mailto:sinfonietta@aypo.org). Please make sure your email contains the following information:**

1. The unlisted YouTube video link – please perform excerpt and then your solo
2. Student first and last name
3. Instrument
4. Orchestra/audition level (AYS)
5. Student grade in school in the fall
6. A photo or PDF of your solo selection
7. A clear PHOTO of yourself for our photo roster



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a small symphony orchestra, often composed solely of stringed instruments

# AYPO

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