



30th Annual Young Artists Competition Application

STRINGS Competition

Saturday, February 7, 2026

Callaway Auditorium, LaGrange College

Competition open only to residents or resident students of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, South Carolina, North Carolina, and Tennessee

TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY

Applicant's Name

Current Mailing Address

City, State, Zip

Telephone

e-mail

Date of Birth

School Name (if applicable) – grade/yr.

Years of Study

Audition repertoire must be works composed for soloist and orchestra. (A movement from a solo concerto or self-contained single movement work). First place winner will be invited to appear with the LaGrange Symphony Orchestra in Concert at Callaway Auditorium on Tuesday, March 24, 2026. (Travel expense will be paid by the LSO.)

Composer

Full Title & Movement (if applicable)

Performance Time:
(minutes)

Repertoire must be **memorized**; performance time should not exceed 20 minutes; warm-up facilities are available.

Submit the following with this application:

1. A video recording of the entrant performing the piece selected for the competition. Must show solo performance with piano accompaniment only. Orchestral performances will not be considered. NO EDITING is permitted – the video must always clearly capture the performer. All works submitted must be performed from memory. Selection to be submitted as YouTube link and emailed to YAC2026@lagrangesymphony.org.
2. Resume of performing experience
3. Letter from Student's primary instructor in support of competition entry. (May be submitted directly by instructor.)
4. Proof of age (copy of driver's license or passport) – Must be under the age of 26 on February 7, 2026.
5. Non-refundable registration fee of \$25 made through PayPal info@lagrangesymphony.org.
6. All contestants will be notified by email of their status by January 10, 2026. Finalists will be expected to perform live for the competition judges on February 7, 2026. *If it is deemed unsafe to hold a live final performance, finalist will be given the choice to resubmit the same piece again or have the original submission judged for final decision.*

Applications must be submitted electronically by email to YAC2026@lagrangesymphony.org. All application materials must be received in the LSO office no later than 11:59 p.m. on December 6, 2025.

I have read and I understand the eligibility and repertoire requirements.

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____

If selected as a finalist, I will require and pay an accompanist arranged by the LSO. ☐ YES ☐ NO
Accompanists determine their own fees. *You are welcome and encouraged to bring your own accompanist to the competition.*

For more information, 706.882.0662 or YAC2026@lagrangesymphony.org