

# DELAWARE MUSIC EDUCATORS ASSOCIATION

## All-State Orchestra Senior Solo Auditions

**Date of Audition: Saturday, December 17, 2011**

**Applications due: Monday, November 21, 2011**

The prestigious DMEA Senior Solo Competition is an annual event held in partnership with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra. A panel of judges will adjudicate auditions on Saturday, December 17, 2011 from 9:30 AM-12:00 PM at Cab Calloway School of the Arts, room 250. The winner of the competition will perform the solo with the 2012 Delaware All-State Orchestra and as a section member with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra according to the following schedule:

*Solo performance with Delaware All-State Orchestra Saturday, March 24, 2012*

*Rehearsal with Delaware Symphony Orchestra Wednesday, April 25, 2012 from 3:30 to 6:00 PM and 7:30 to 10 PM at the Grand Opera House, Wilmington*

*Concert Performances with the Delaware Symphony Orchestra Thursday, April 26, 2012 at 10:00 AM & 12:30 PM at the Grand Opera House*

**\*\* DSO dates may be altered in the event that the winner is a vocalist.**

1. Applicant must be a twelfth grade string, woodwind, brass player, percussionist or vocalist.
2. Applicant will perform a selection for solo instrument or voice for which an orchestral accompaniment exists. Concertos, concertinos or movements thereof, operatic arias and art songs are acceptable pieces; popular songs and songs from Broadway Musicals are excluded. The length of the piece should not exceed ten minutes. Applicant must audition with piano accompaniment, securing his/her own piano accompanist.
3. Memorization of the solo is mandatory for the concert performance. Music may be read at the audition.
4. Interested applicants must complete and submit the application form by Monday, November 21st. Mail to:

**Senior Solo Competition  
1702 St. Mihiel Avenue  
Wilmington, DE 19804**

Bonnie Ayers, Chairperson  
**bonnie.ayers@redclay.k12.de.us**  
(302)993-0855

5. The All-State Orchestra committee must deem the audition selection as viable for performance by the Delaware All-State Orchestra. If you are unsure of this criterion, please contact the Senior Solo Chair.
6. At the audition, applicants must provide the judges with three orchestral scores or three piano accompaniments. Scores and accompaniments must include the solo line.
7. The audition panel will determine the student winner and alternates. The audition results will be posted on the DMEA website. The winning contestant subsequently must be accepted as a member of his/her respective 2012 All-State Orchestra, Band or Choral ensemble as determined through the regular All-State auditions held in November and December. The winner also must be available for ALL rehearsals and performances of the Delaware Symphony Orchestra (dates specified above) and the Delaware All-State Orchestra, including the March reading rehearsal (date and location to be announced) and the All-State Orchestra Festival (March 22-24, 2011 at PS DuPont Middle School, Wilmington, DE).
8. Applicants should dress appropriately for the audition. Inherent to the Senior Solo performance is a high caliber of musicianship and stage presence. The audition panel reserves the right to determine that no applicant is acceptable should such expectations not be achieved.

**DELAWARE MUSIC EDUCATORS  
ASSOCIATION  
ALL-STATE ORCHESTRA  
SENIOR SOLO COMPETITION APPLICATION  
Submit by Monday, November 21, 2011**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

Music Instructor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument or Voice Range \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Solo and composer \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Accompanist \_\_\_\_\_

Student Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Send application to:

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