

Delano Chamber Orchestra

**Young Artist's Solo Competition Rules
2017-18**

1. Sponsors include West Side Baptist Church, Senseney Music Inc., EMC Insurance Companies, Inc., and the Delano Chamber Players, Inc.
2. The competition, rehearsals, and performance will take place at West Side Baptist Church 304 S. Seneca, Wichita, KS.
3. The competition will begin at 1:30pm on Saturday, February 10, 2018. Contestants will be provided with specific audition times in advance.
4. Applicants are limited to high school seniors graduating in 2018 or their home school equivalents. Students are expected to be involved in some way in the music program of their college, university, or conservatory in the fall but are not required to declare a major in music.
5. Applications will be accepted from musicians in two categories:
 - A. Orchestral strings (violin, viola, cello, and double bass)
 - B. Orchestral winds (flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, french horn, trumpet, trombone, tuba, and harp)
6. Judges are not obligated to pick a winner. If a winner/s is/are chosen, scholarships will be awarded in the amount of \$500 for the first place winner and \$250 for the second place winner.
7. Applicants must submit two (2) letters of recommendation, one each from:
 - A. Their private music instructor;
 - B. Their high school director, youth orchestra conductor, or prominent community musician.
8. The letters of recommendation and application must be received by David Martin, General Manager, Delano Chamber Players, 2448 Cardinal Drive, Wichita, KS 67204, no later than January 27, 2018.
9. Selection of winners will be based on the following audition criteria:
 - A. An ascending and descending major or minor scale of three octaves, played in any style. Modifications are acceptable for instruments whose full range is less than three octaves.
 - B. Two contrasting excerpts from standard orchestral literature; each excerpt should be no more than one minute in length.
 - C. A performance of the solo work, with piano accompaniment, mutually agreed to by the applicant and the Music Director/Conductor. The applicant or private teacher must contact Dr. Wesley DeSpain to gain approval for the work to be performed. Email: wesleydespain@gmail.com; Cell: 316-734-3511
10. Competition winner(s) will perform with the Delano Chamber Orchestra on Sunday, April 22, 2018, at 3:00pm.
11. Attendance at all four (4) rehearsals prior to the concert is required. The rehearsal dates are Thursday, April 5, Thursday, April 12, Thursday, April 19, and Saturday, April 21 (dress rehearsal). Rehearsals begin at 7:00pm; Dr. DeSpain will provide the soloist(s) with specific rehearsal call times.
12. Soloists are encouraged but not required to perform from memory. Winners must perform the work listed on their application and heard at the audition. Multi-movement works may be included if approved by Dr. DeSpain in advance.

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Due January 27, 2018

Submit this application and two letters of recommendation (see rules page) by mail to:

David Martin, General Manager
Delano Chamber Players, Inc.
2448 Cardinal Drive
Wichita, KS 67204

Applicant Information

Name _____ Instrument _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____ Birth date _____

School _____ Graduation date _____

Title and composer of work to be performed (include movement if applicable).

***Be certain to arrange for piano accompaniment on the day of the audition and to gain approval for your work from Dr. DeSpain (see rules page).*

Parent Information

1. Name(s) _____

Phone _____

2. Name(s) _____

Phone _____

Private Instructor Information

Name _____

Phone _____