

|| BLOOMINGTON NORMAL ||  
**Youth Symphony**

November 2015

Dear BNYS Members,

The Bloomington Normal Youth Symphony will again hold its 2016 *Howard H. Rye Solo Competition* this coming spring. The competition will be held on Wednesday, February 24, 2016 in Presser Hall, room 258, from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. The competition is open to current members of the BNYS in their Junior or Senior year of high school and who have been members of the BNYS the past two complete, consecutive annual seasons. ALL APPLICATIONS ARE DUE ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY 8, 2016.

Contestants are required to perform a movement of a concerto or single composition for solo instrument and orchestra with a performance time between five and ten minutes. MAKE SURE THAT ORCHESTRA PARTS ARE AVAILABLE FOR YOUR SELECTION.

Each contestant is responsible for bringing an accompanist with them for the competition. The music need not be memorized, but the participant should know it well enough to play from memory if it were necessary.

Judging will be done by a panel of qualified musicians and chosen to include those proficient on instruments played by the contestants as much as possible. Judges are not finalized until all applications are received, which makes the FEBRUARY 8 DEADLINE very important.

The winner of the competition will perform with the BNYS at our 2016 Spring Concert and will receive a monetary award. A runner up is determined if someone plays well enough to step into the solo spot should our winner be unable to perform and will also receive a monetary award.

If you are interested in entering the competition, please fill out the enclosed application, have it signed by your private teacher, and return it by mail or in person to Mrs. Bryant or Mrs. Dolan by February 8, 2015. Please tell Mrs. Bryant or Mrs. Dolan now if you are considering this so that appropriate judges may be found.

We are proud of the high level of musicianship that so many of you share with us and look forward to further cheering you on in your musical successes.

Musically,

Deanne Bryant, Conductor  
Forrest Harris, President of the BNYS Board of Directors

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## Young Artist Competition Application

Please return to Mrs. Bryant or Mrs. Dolan  
ON OR BEFORE February 8, 2016  
OR Mail to 113 N. Adelaide, Normal, IL 61761  
OR email to manager@bnyouthsymphony.org

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

INSTRUMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL: \_\_\_\_\_ YEAR: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIVATE TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_

PRIVATE TEACHER PHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

ACCOMPANIST: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

### COMPOSITION TO BE PERFORMED

TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

MOVEMENT: \_\_\_\_\_

COMPOSER: \_\_\_\_\_

ARRANGER: \_\_\_\_\_

PUBLISHER: \_\_\_\_\_ LENGTH: \_\_\_\_\_

### TEACHER APPROVAL

I approve the above student's application to enter the Bloomington Normal Youth Symphony Young Artist Solo Competition and appear as soloist with the Symphony on our 2016 Spring Concert. I agree to work with the student so that he/she continues to improve and refine the performance.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_