

# HOLYOKE CIVIC SYMPHONY



2022 - 2023

## *Thomas Schwab Memorial* **STUDENT CONCERTO COMPETITION**

### **REPERTOIRE GUIDELINES**

*Selection of a piece for the competition is an important and difficult decision. Please go over these guidelines carefully with your private teacher and feel free to contact me by email at [dkidwell22@gmail.com](mailto:dkidwell22@gmail.com) or call our business manager Emily Lewis at 413-256-1760 if you have questions.*  
- David Kidwell, Music Director

- The students must supply their own accompanist. Piano applicants must also supply an accompanist (two pianos will be available).
- The orchestral accompaniment must be scored for a reasonable-sized orchestra. Please be aware that pieces which are overly difficult or call for an extremely large orchestra are not practical for the Holyoke Civic Symphony. If in doubt, please contact the HCS music director.
- Many concertos require a great deal of artistic maturity to perform well. Please carefully consider pieces with your teacher.
- In past seasons, the orchestra has performed the following works for soloist and orchestra: piano concertos by Grieg, Mozart (23rd), Prokofiev (3rd), Rachmaninoff (2nd), Schumann, and Tchaikovsky (1st), as well as Gershwin's Rhapsody in Blue and Concerto in F; violin concertos by Bach (A minor and D minor), Beethoven, Bruch (1st), as well as the Vaughan Williams Lark Ascending, and Lalo Symphonie Espagnol; the Dvorak and Elgar Cello Concertos and the Bruch Kol Nidrei and Faure Elegy; the Chaminade Concertino for flute and the Mozart Flute Concerto No. 1; the Hummel Trumpet Concerto; the Mozart Bassoon Concerto; Barber's Knoxville and Berlioz' Le Nuits for voice; Milhaud's Scaramouche for saxophone, and the Vivaldi Oboe Concerto F. VII No. 1.

All works must be approved by the HCS music director prior to auditions.

Please contact the music director as soon as possible  
in case an alternate selection must be made.

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## Student Concerto Competition

**OPEN TO STUDENTS IN GRADES 9 THROUGH 12 WHO LIVE IN HAMPDEN, HAMPSHIRE, FRANKLIN OR BERKSHIRE COUNTIES IN WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS.**

**This is a biennial competition; the next competition is planned for the 2024-2025 concert season.**

**The winner receives a \$200 award and is invited to perform with the Holyoke Civic Symphony on May 7, 2023.**

**Applications must be received by December 17, 2022.**

**Auditions are on Saturday, January 14, 2023 with rain date on January 21, 2023.**

**Holyoke Community College, 303 Homestead Avenue in Holyoke.**

### REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants must bring a prepared piece for solo instrument or voice with orchestral accompaniment.
- If a multi-movement work is selected, please choose a single movement to play at the audition. The applicant will be expected to perform the entire work for the concert.
- All auditioners must be accompanied by their own accompanist.

Holyoke Civic Symphony, a nonprofit group, has been providing quality orchestral music to the Pioneer Valley for more than 50 years. Its members include both amateur and professional musicians. The HCS Orchestra and Music Director David Kidwell are committed to the development of young musicians.

FOR INFORMATION: Call Emily Lewis at 413-256-1760 or email: [dkidwell22@gmail.com](mailto:dkidwell22@gmail.com)

### APPLICATION

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail address \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_ School \_\_\_\_\_

School Name/ Address \_\_\_\_\_

Instrument \_\_\_\_\_ Orchestra or Band Director \_\_\_\_\_

Private Lesson Teacher \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher's Email \_\_\_\_\_

Selection to be performed \_\_\_\_\_

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE MAIL THE COMPLETED APPLICATION TO:**

**David Kidwell**

**Holyoke Civic Symphony 303 Homestead Ave. Holyoke, MA 01040**