



National Competition for Young String Soloists Announced

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Entries are now being accepted for the Competition for Young String Soloists. The competition is open to all violin, viola, bass and cello players between the ages of 16 and 23. Entrants must be residents of the United States and can not be under professional management. The deadline for Submissions is January 31, 2008.

PR9.NET December 26, 2007 - CHAPEL HILL, N.C. - Lorenzo Muti, artistic director and conductor of The Chamber Orchestra of the Triangle, announces today that entries are being accepted for the inaugural national Competition for Young String Soloists. The competition is open to violin, viola, cello or bass players between the ages of 16 and 23 that reside in the United States and are not under professional management. It will be held April 4-6, 2008 at Meredith College in Raleigh, N.C.

"The Competition for Young String Soloists is an excellent example of how the orchestra continues to dedicate part of its activity to looking for new emerging talents and aiding their fledgling careers," says Muti. "We want the competition to be an attraction for the best young talents in the field of string playing at a national level. At the same time, we hope it to be a stimulus and a tool of comparison for the local young performers."

First prize in the competition will consist of a \$10,000 award and an appearance with the Chamber Orchestra of the Triangle during the 2008-2009 season, The second and third place winners will receive \$2,500 and \$1,500 awards respectively. In addition, a \$1,000 prize will be awarded to a top performer who resides in North Carolina.

Eighteen entrants will be selected to participate in rehearsals on April 4 and in the semi-finals on April 5. Five finalists will be selected to perform in the final round on Sunday, April 6. Applicants may submit entries for the competition until January 31.

For more information on the Competition for Young String Soloists, visit www.chamberorchestraofthetriangle.org or visit the Orchestra's MySpace page at www.myspace.com/chamberorchestratriangle.

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Since 1982, The Chamber Orchestra of the Triangle has been received with genuine respect and enthusiasm by music critics and the community. Today, it is considered one of the finest professional ensembles in North Carolina and the Southeast. With its elite corps of musicians, the orchestra continues to present a well-chosen and unusual repertoire that delights audiences and evokes high praise from critics. That standard of excellence has become the hallmark of the orchestra and has distinguished each succeeding season. The 2007-2008 series marks our 25th concert season. For more information, visit www.chamberorchestraofthetriangle.org or call (919) 942-3179.

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