



GYMC Junior & Intermediate Orchestra Registration Package 2020-2021

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As per the new String Orchestra (SO) calendar on page 5 and 6 of this registration package; **audition dates will be offered via Zoom/online June 15, 16 & 17** (unless current restrictions lift, in relation to COVID 19, and theGYMC conductor, Joy Schuster, finds that she will be allowed to have one-on-one, onsite auditions). Joy will ensure that if the latter is the case those performers needing to audition will be contacted via email and instructed on all necessary protocols and guidelines. **An additional audition day will be held on July 8th.**

Please note: There is a NEW online registration and payment option now available directly through theGYMC website; we encourage you to use this new tool. Here is the direct link <https://gymc.ca/programs/gymc-and-resident-music-programs/gymc-string-orchestras/>

For those that do not want to use online option; please send pages 9 and 11 of this registration package to the following emails: joy.schuster@gmail.com + office@gymc.ca prior to **June 11th**. If the performer is returning and has previously provided a completed registration in the past/September 2019 then respond to Joy and office/Valerie (as noted above) that this is the case. Just ensure that any updated performer information has been noted in your email so that all is correct and current for the new academic year starting in September 2020. **Pages 8 and 10**/Volunteer commitment and Volunteer sign- up sheets along with liability/permission waiver can be brought to the 1st rehearsal/or as otherwise instructed in the weeks leading up to the 1st onsite rehearsal on **Saturday, September 12th**.



Forms and payments returned to theGYMC by **June 21, 2020** will receive a **discount**; forms and payments returned after **June 21, 2020 will pay the full fee**. (please refer to registration form, page 9, for fee amounts)

GYMC main office asks that all forms be emailed to Joy and office/Valerie; joy.schuster@gmail.com and office@gymc.ca. When you send in the completed forms, here is a list of items to include and attach to that email;

-Attach completed registration form, page 9, of registration package, and/or including updated performer's information that can be added to existing registration form from the previous registration/September 2019.

-Please fill out and attach page 11 (as appropriate); this is only applicable if performer is new to the String Orchestra program and/or there have been discussions with conductor and the performers music teacher about possibility of your child moving from Junior Orchestra to Intermediate. (Don't worry about music teacher's signature because Joy/conductor will be connecting with music teachers if a completed audition form is sent).

-Your preferred date for the audition; and preference of a.m. or p.m. A confirmation email with date and time will be sent out.

-Please indicate how you would like to pay for September's 2020's registration for the SO. If it is by credit card please indicate this in your response email, including best telephone # to reach you. Valerie, orGYMC Admin, will call you to get the credit card information. If your preferred method is cheque please send toGYMC, 75 Cardigan St., Guelph, ON, N1H 3Z7 and indicate that you have done so in your email. (There is also a secure mail box on the outside of theGYMC building for those of you that might be passing by the centre).



Limited subsidies are available; please contact theGYMC office for further information.

Important Notes for Participants

Consistent and punctual attendance is mandatory. Attendance will be taken at rehearsals. Students who miss a large number of rehearsals may be asked to sit out of concerts.

All students in theGYMC Orchestra Program must be receiving private lessons with a qualified music teacher.

Students are expected to practice their music during the week and to be well-prepared for rehearsals. It is also expected that students take their music to private lessons for assistance from their private music teachers. Students are responsible to print off and organize their music; as appropriate or as instructed by the conductor.

Audition Notes

- GYMC conductor, Joy Schuster, will determine who will need to audition. Joy works closely with onsite SSSG music teachers and those offsite music teachers to determine auditions. If your child is one of those performers that will need to audition, please contact their private music teacher asking for the teacher's orchestra placement notes. (because of the current situation due to COVID-19, getting a teacher's signature is not necessary) just a couple of sentences from your child's music teacher can be relayed via the email you will be sending with all the performers current information. If necessary, further contact will be determined by the conductor.
- **Players who are staying in their currentGYMC orchestra will not be required to go through the audition process.**
- **Auditions will be held on June 15, 16, 17th. July 8th is an alternative date for those who are not able to make it in June.**
- Please book your 'Zoom' online audition with Joy via email joy.schuster@gmail.com coping office@gymc.ca
- Repertoire for auditions can be found on page 4.

AUDITION INFO CONTINUED P. 4



Junior repertoire for audition:

- 1) Own choice of showpiece
- 2) One scale and arpeggio with a shift

Intermediate repertoire for audition:

- 1) Own choice of showpiece
- 2) One 3 octave scale

No sight reading required.

Rehearsal Notes: Updates will be emailed to you

Rehearsals are held at the **Guelph Youth Music Centre**, 75 Cardigan Street, Guelph, ON N1H 3Z7 unless otherwise communicated with you via email.

Rehearsals for Orchestras are on Saturday Mornings

Junior Orchestra	9:45am – 10:45am
Intermediate Orchestra	11:00am – 12:30pm

Please note: Every effort will be made to schedule sectionals on regular rehearsal days.

The email address that you have included in your child'sGYMC Registration form is the one that will be used for all contact.

Inclement Weather: In the case of inclement weather; the GYMC Facebook page is the place to go for the most recent GYMC updates including weather closures, etc. The conductor, Joy Schuster, might send out an email regarding any schedule changes – please check both your email and the GYMC Facebook page (ensure you refresh 😊 to get most up to date Facebook notifications)



Orchestra Calendar September 2020 – May 2021

(Updated May 30, 2020)

- JUNE 15, 16, 17** 1ST Audition days; must have an audition appointment;
please refer to pages 1, 3, 4 and 10
- JULY 8** 2nd Audition day; must have an appointment

- **HOLIDAYS/NO REHEARSALS:**

October 10/THANKSGIVING

December 5 through to January 2 (inclusive/CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS)

February 13/FAMILY DAY

March 13 through to March 19 (inclusive/MARCH BREAK)

April 3/EASTER

- **CONCERTS/PAGE 7**

CALENDAR:

September 12: First Saturday rehearsals for Junior and Intermediate Orchestras

September 19*, 26: *
Fall onsite retreat at GYMC; September 26th regular
rehearsal

October 3, 17, 24, 31: Regular Saturday rehearsals

November 7, 14, 21, 28: Regular Saturday rehearsals

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4: Winter concert

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 11: **Intermediate Orchestra** Performs in Cambridge
(conductor will provide more information)

January 9: Resume Saturday regular rehearsals

January 16, 23, 30: Regular rehearsals

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February 6, 20, 27: Regular Rehearsals

March 6, 20*, 25*, 27: Regular Saturday rehearsals (**March 20/Intermediate performers** will rehearse with Guelph Youth Symphony Orchestra. **Juniors** will have regular rehearsal. See below for details about Thursday, March 25th)

*THURSDAY, MARCH 25: **Intermediate Orchestra** to attend Guelph Youth Symphony Orchestra's regular Thursday evening rehearsal

April: Kiwanis Festival (TBD)

FRIDAY, APRIL 9: **Intermediate Orchestra** will attend and play at the Guelph Youth Symphony Concert

April 10, 17, 24: Regular Saturday rehearsals

FRIDAY, APRIL 30: FINAL SPRING CONCERT

Concerts Dates:

FRIDAY, December 4 Junior and Intermediate Orchestra Winter Concert

FRIDAY, December 11 **Intermediate Orchestra** Performs in Cambridge (conductor will provide more information)

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FRIDAY, APRIL 9 **Intermediate Orchestra** Performs with Guelph Youth Symphony Orchestra

April TBD / Kiwanis Music Festival

FRIDAY, April 30 Junior and Intermediate Spring Concert

*Additional community and/or school performances to be announced



Concert Dress

Boys: All black: Black dress trousers, black socks, black dress shoes.

Girls: All black: Black dress top, *long* black skirt or trousers, black tights or socks, black dress shoes.

When players are performing on stage, they are representing theGYMC organization. A polished and neat appearance is part of that performance. Students are asked to pull hair back off your face and fasten it. Please refrain from wearing heavy jewelry. **Please DO NOT wear perfume due to allergy issues.**

GYMC ORCHESTRA FALL RETREAT on Saturday, September 19th, 2020. (onsite atGYMC)

Junior and Intermediate Orchestras ... attendance is Mandatory.

Weekend includes rehearsals, sectionals for both orchestras, social and outdoor activities. Permission for the retreat is included with the **General Permission Form** of the Orchestra Registration; if applicable.



Volunteer Commitment

Volunteer help is essential for the operation of theGYMC Orchestra Program. Each family is asked to do at least one volunteer assignment per player during the year.

Please select a volunteer task below. Failure to sign up means you will be assigned a task.

Please note: It is **required** that all volunteers at theGYMC obtain a **police check**.

For all chaperones attending the orchestra retreat please submit a police check as soon as possible-The police check takes approximately 6-8 weeks. Police checks can be obtained at the Police Station.

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEET

First Name _____ Last Name _____

Phone (Home) _____ Mobile _____

Email _____

PLEASE SELECT AT LEAST ONE VOLUNTEER TASK

- Sit on Orchestra committee (representatives from each orchestra level needed)
 - Weekly set up/take down of rehearsal stage (students in particular wanted!)
 - Contact/attendance person at rehearsals
 - Publicity
 - Chaperone fall retreat (full time/part time)
 - Assist at rehearsals & concerts
 - Set up/take down concerts atGYMC
 - Brochures/programs
 - Chaperone concerts
 - Organize/set up food for receptions
 - OTHER
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GYMC Orchestra Program Registration Form 2020 - 2021

- Junior String Orchestra \$360.00 – discount before June 21** (\$375.00 after June 21)
- Intermediate Orchestra \$360.00 – discount before June 21** (\$375.00 after June 21)

Methods of Payment

- Cheque (payable to **GYMC**)
- VISA MasterCard

Credit Card Name _____ Received by _____

Card # _____ Exp. ____ / 20 ____

Date Received _____

Performer's Contact Information

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Prov ____ Postal Code _____

Phone (Home) _____ Mobile _____

Primary Email _____ *

(please contact office to inquire if there is need to add an additional email address)

Age ____ Birthday (D-M-Y) ____-____-____ School _____

Grade (in or entering) ____

Health Card No _____ Doctor's Name _____

Medical Info (allergies, etc.) _____

Special Needs (e.g. ADD, physical needs, etc.) _____

Mother's Name _____ Phone _____

Father's Name _____ Phone _____

Emergency Contact _____ Phone _____

Instructor/Teacher (please print)

Full Name _____ Phone _____ Email _____



Liability/Permission Waiver

In case of injury or accident of any kind at the Guelph Youth Music Centre (GYMC) Outreach Programs: **Junior & Intermediate String Orchestras**, including any off-site activities included within these programs, the GYMC, nor any employee nor volunteer at the GYMC, will be held liable for that occurrence. I hereby release the GYMC, its employees or volunteers from all claims or damage which may arise out of any loss or personal injury to the named participant in this program.

In the event of illness or injury while attending the above program, including any off-site activities included in this program, I hereby give permission for the named participant to receive emergency medical treatment from a qualified medical provider as necessary.

I hereby give the GYMC permission to use any photographs/videos taken of my child in this program for current and future promotional activities.

I do NOT give the GYMC permission to use any photographs/videos taken of my child for any reason.

Participant's Name _____

Parent or Guardian Signature _____

Date _____

GUELPH YOUTH MUSIC CENTRE
75 Cardigan Street, Guelph, ON N1H 3Z7 T: 519-837-1119 F: 519-837-1121

Email: joy.schuster@gmail.com + office@gymc.ca



Audition/Teacher Recommendation Form Step by Step Process

***PLEASE BRING THIS FORM TO THE AUDITION*(See page 1,3 and 4)**

Student Name _____ Phone _____

Audition not required or date completed _____

Orchestra Placement/Notes

Music Teacher's Name: _____

Music Teacher's Phone Number: _____

Music Teacher's Email: _____

Conductor's Signature: _____ (JOY SCHUSTER)

Program Placement

Junior String Orchestra

Intermediate String Orchestra

Instrument _____

Other Instruments Played _____

Level (Conservatory Grade, Suzuki Top Piece) _____

Previous Orchestra Experience



GYMC ORCHESTRA RETREAT

Saturday, September 19, 2020: Location:GYMC

***If applicable; permission form and retreat details including location, times and what to bring, etc., will be sent via email/from Joy Schuster to parents when available.**