

Youth Orchestra Auditions

We hope you will join us for our first school-year program!

- Who:** Strings students in Grades 5-12 with at least 2 years of experience, who participate in their school ensemble, and are enrolled in private lessons
- What:** A string orchestra for students in and around Norfolk County
- When:** Saturday, February 11th 10:00 am - 1:00 pm (by appointment)
- Where:** Trinity Community Church / 234 Walpole St / Norwood, MA
- Why:** To practice and perform fun and challenging music with students from various schools in a supportive environment with an experienced director

After our very successful first summer season, we are ready to begin preparing for our Spring 2012 concert. We will be exploring classical music, movie soundtrack selections, and popular tunes.

We will be auditioning on violin, viola, cello, and string bass. Students should prepare for the audition as follows:

Scales: *Violin* – G Major, two octaves, any bowing, *in quarter notes at mm 88* or faster

Viola & Cello – C Major, two octaves, as above

Scales must be memorized

Bass – G Major AND C Major, one octave, as above

Solo: 2 short solo selections (about one minute each); one slow/lyrical, one fast/technical – either 2 separate pieces, or 2 sections from the same piece

Sight-reading: You will be given a short excerpt to play at your audition – it will be representative of the level of music we will be preparing in our rehearsals

- Our group will rehearse weekly on Saturdays from 10:00 AM - 12:30 PM at the above location. We will follow the public school calendar, allowing for vacation weeks.
- Tuition will be \$200 for the season. For families registering multiple children, a discount of 25% per child may be available.
- The concert is tentatively scheduled for June 9. More information, schedule, handbook, etc, will be distributed at auditions.
- Interested applicants should email the music director, Mrs. Emily Hilliar, at ejhilliar@gmail.com no later than February 4th to be scheduled for an audition.
- Audition fee is \$10.00 per family