



55TH ANNUAL YOUNG ARTIST COMPETITION

for PIANO, BRASS, WOODWINDS, PERCUSSION & HARP

January 6 & 7, 2024

Application deadline 12/18/23

Awards

Phyllis Merrifield Award
(First Prize): \$1000
Second Prize: \$500
Third Prize: \$250
Dockter Award: \$150

The Alvin Dockter Award is reserved for applicants under the age of 16.

The Bay Philharmonic Annual Young Artist Competitions rotate between strings (violin, viola, cello, and bass) and all other orchestral instruments.

The 2025 competition will be for piano, woodwinds, brass, and percussion.

Regulations

Open to piano, brass, woodwinds, percussion and harp players up to 23 years of age who meet the following conditions:

- Reside or attend school in one of the nine Bay Area counties (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, or Sonoma)
- Were born on or after January 1, 2001.
- Are able to perform from memory an entire concerto or a single major work for solo instrument and orchestra at least 15 minutes in duration.

Regulations for the Alvin Dockter Award

Applicants must have been born on or after January 1, 2008, must live in one of the nine Bay Area counties, and must be able to perform from memory a single movement of a concerto or a single work for solo instrument and orchestra selected from the standard repertoire.

Auditions

Auditions will be held on Saturday, January 6 at First United Methodist Church in Fremont. Finals will be held on January 7 and are open to the public.

Application and complete regulations can be found on the Bay Philharmonic website:

<https://bayphil.org/guild/young-artist-competition>

Completed applications must be postmarked or received no later than Monday, December 18, 2023.

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Call (510) 371-4860 for more information.