

Central Iowa Symphony 2026 Young Artists Registration Form

Registration & Video Deadline: December 16, 2025

Please print all information legibly or use a word processor.

\$25 registration fee: Thundertix Payment (<https://centraliowasympphony.thundertix.com/events/256192>)
Complete _____

Part I: Musician information

Name		Age	
Grade/Year		Instrument/Voice Part	
Email		Best Phone	
Home mailing address			
Address line 2			
Town		State	
Zip			
Guardian(s) name (s) First & Last			
School Name		School City	
Teacher's Name		Teacher's email	
Accompanist's Name		Accompanist's email	

Collegiate vocalists enter college name in "School Name" field.

Part II: Audition repertoire

Note: Performance time of 12 minutes maximum (for vocalists, this is for all pieces combined)

Title of piece including Opus number and Movement			
Composer Name		Publisher	
Cadenza(s) by		Editor	
Performance time (maximum 12 minutes; round up to the nearest full minute)			

Vocalists

Title of 2nd piece including opus number and movement if applicable

Title of 2 nd piece including Opus number and Movement			
Composer Name		Publisher	
		Editor	
Performance time (maximum 12 minutes; round up to the nearest full minute)			

Part III: YouTube recording link

Paste the link to your YouTube recording here.	
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Part IV: Signatures

All participants must sign below. For minors, a guardian’s signature is also required.

If selected as a finalist, I understand that the live audition will be held on Sunday, January 11, 2026 in Ames, IA. If selected as a performer for the concert, I will make necessary schedule adjustments to accommodate rehearsals as scheduled by the CIS Music Director. At minimum, this includes at least one Monday rehearsal in February (7:15- 9:30 pm), the dress rehearsal (Saturday, February 28, 9-11:30 am), and the concert (all at Ames City Auditorium). I understand that exact rehearsal times are to be determined.

Musician: _____ Date: _____

Guardian: _____ Date: _____

(Guardian signature only required if student is a minor)

Central Iowa Symphony 2026 Young Artists Registration Submission Instructions

Prior to mailing in your registration, record and upload your audition to YouTube. Instructions are below (p. 4).

Before you email your registration, check the following:

- Have you included:
 - your completed registration form (pp. 1-2, above)?
 - the \$25 registration fee (indicate on p. 1 whether you've paid via the link (<https://centraliowasympphony.thundertix.com/events/256192>))?
- Have you:
 - recorded your audition?
 - uploaded your video to YouTube using the instructions below (p. 4)?
 - emailed your completed registration form and video's YouTube link to Janet Dixon at janet.a.dixon@gmail.com?

Pay the registration fee
online here:

(<https://centraliowasympphony.thundertix.com/events/256192>)

By submitting the video link, you are granting consent for these videos to be viewed by adjudicators for evaluation purposes.

Completed registration packets may be emailed or sent via USPS (mailing address below) and postmarked no later than December 16, 2025. If mailing a print packet, the YouTube recording link portion must be emailed separately no later than December 16, 2025.

Late, incomplete, and/or illegible registrations will not be accepted.

Mail or email your completed registration and video link to:

Janet Dixon - janet.a.dixon@gmail.com
CIS Young Artists Auditions
3410 Clinton Ct
Ames, IA 50010

Finalist Round, Rehearsal, & Performance Information

Finalist Round

- Sunday, January 11, 2026
- A maximum of eight performers will be chosen from the videos
- Live audition for CIS adjudicators
- Ames, IA. Exact location will be emailed
- The panel reserves the right to select no performers

- If selected as a finalist, bring the solo music part for the judges to use in the final audition

Performance & Rehearsals

- 2026 CIS Young Artists Concert
- Concert: 3:00 pm, Sunday, March 1, 2026
- Ames City Auditorium
- It is expected that selected performers will make necessary schedule adjustments to accommodate

rehearsals as scheduled by the CIS Music Director. At a minimum, this includes at least one Monday rehearsal in February (7:15- 9:30 pm), the dress

rehearsal (Saturday, February 28, 9-11:30 am), and the concert. Exact rehearsal times TBA.

YouTube Instructions

At a glance

Recordings should be uploaded to YouTube.

- Unlisted
- Not for kids
- Title: CIS Young Artists Competition
- Description:
 - Title of the piece
 - Composer's name
 - Your name

Complete Instructions

Additional details can be found in this [tutorial on uploading your CIS recording to YouTube](#).

- Record your piece with your collaborative pianist performing with you (vocalists, record your pieces as 2 files, submit two video links via email). Make sure your video file is in one of the [YouTube supported file formats](#).
 - The most common types are: .MOV .MPEG-1 .MPEG-2 .MPEG4 .MP4 .MPG .AVI .WMV
- Go to www.youtube.com and sign in (or create an account and then sign in).
- Click the "Create" button at the top. Select "Upload video."
- Either click on "Select files" and select your video file from your device, or drag and drop your video file into the upload box. Your video will start uploading and processing. You will be prompted to enter information about your video.
 - In the "title" field, enter CIS Young Artists Competition.
 - In the description box enter the **name of the piece, the composer's name, and your name.**
- Click next.
- Indicate "No, it's not made for kids." Click next.
- Change the visibility setting to "Unlisted."
- Click "Save."
- Send the link to your video to janet.a.dixon@gmail.com no later than December 16, 2025.

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