The 2027 Stella Boyle Smith Trust Young Artists Competition

CONCERTO COMPETITION FOR

BRASS **PIANO/PERCUSSION** **STRINGS** **WOODWINDS**

PRESENTED BY

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ARKANSAS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
GUILD



This competition is designed to identify and nurture talent through education and performance opportunities with the ultimate goal of enhancing the level of music-making in the state of Arkansas.

The Guild awards the following prizes:

$1,000 GRAND PRIZE

$250 *Qualified* Winner in Each of the Instrument Categories

RULES AND PROCEDURES

Applications and fees must be received by **March 19, 2027**. All performance videos must be received no later than **April 9, 2027**. Please send performance videos to Arthur Broadbent III, Stella Boyle Smith Youth Competition chair at ***competitionchair.sbsya@gmail.com***

Selections must be a movement of a composition for solo Instrument and Orchestra from the standard repertoire.

THE MUSIC MUST BE PERFORMED FROM MEMORY

Videos, of a high performance quality, should be uploaded to a streaming platform such as YouTube or Vimeo, and a link submitted. Videos can be left "unlisted" for privacy. Please remember that the videos must be recorded with good lighting so that the judges can see your entire stance, all of the instrument and hands; and for strings, the entire bow and bow hold. All videos must be recorded with a piano reduction after **April 9, 2027**.

LIVE FINALS HELD ON MAY 15, 2027

The finals will be held LIVE on the day of **May 15, 2027** at the Stella Boyle Smith Music Center, Little Rock. **Competition begins at 12:30 pm and is scheduled to conclude by 4:00 pm.**

APPLY HERE

Previous Grand Prize winners are not eligible to compete but previous category winners are eligible. Entrants must be residents of the state of Arkansas and be between the ages of 12 and 18. Entrants must not have reached their 19th birthday by April 21, 2027, and they must be in a Middle School, Junior High or High School program. Judges will be announced at a later date.