Join the 2021-2022
Rochester Philharmonic Youth Orchestra (RPYO)
Openings for all Instruments

✓ Wish to Play Orchestral Music with Outstanding Student Musicians?
✓ Wish to Be Mentored by Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra (RPO) Musicians?
✓ Wish to Perform on the Eastman Theater Stage?

Apply for RPYO Today!
Application Deadline April 1, 2021—EXTENDED TO APRIL 15, 2021

Qualifications for Applicants
• Student is currently in grades 7 to 11
• Student is at an advanced playing level, equivalent in most cases to NYSSMA level 6.
• Student is required to participate in their school instrumental music program if accepted
• Student is required to take private instrumental lessons if accepted
• Application Deadline -- Thursday April 15, 2021

What is the Audition Process? Entire Process is Virtual in 2021!
• Students video-record themselves playing (without accompaniment) of the following:
  o 1 or 2 short musical selections of the student’s choice (~5min total) containing contrasting slow/expressive and fast/technical passages.
  o Standard orchestral excerpt(s) that can be found on the RPYO website
• Students upload their recording(s) onto YouTube as unlisted and submit an application found on the RPYO website

Application Fee
• $25 to pay for the audition judges

What Is Required of RPYO Students?
• Serious commitment made by each member
• Required participation in a school instrumental ensemble (if available)
• Good attendance
• Participation in RPYO trips and special events
• Private instrumental lessons
• Musical preparation at home
• Your best musical and personal effort!

What is The Rochester Philharmonic Youth Orchestra?
Since 1970, the RPYO has offered our community’s most advanced young musicians orchestral experiences of the highest order. Sponsored by the Rochester Philharmonic Orchestra’s Education Department, the RPYO motivates its middle and high school musicians to achieve excellence in performance and a life-long love of music as music professionals or dedicated amateurs and friends of music. Weekly rehearsals, coaching by RPO musicians, an annual Side-by-Side Concert with the RPO, concerts in Rochester’s major performance halls, and periodic trips or other special activities provide musically rich, personally rewarding, and uniquely maturing experiences.

Go to www.RPYO.Org---> New Students