

## **Lower East TN Junior Orchestra Clinic Information**

Junior Clinic will be held on Fri. and Sat., Feb. 27-28, 2009 at Center for Creative Arts, 1301 Dallas Rd., Chattanooga, TN, 37405. The clinic will begin at approximately 8:45 AM each day and end at 3:00 PM. There will be a free public concert on Saturday. Jooyong Ahn, Director of Orchestras at UT-Chattanooga, will conduct the Blue Orchestra. Natalie Colbert, orchestra director from Atlanta, will be returning to conduct the Red Orchestra. **Participating directors must be members of ETSB&OA and MENC—copy of MENC card must be on entrance form.**

Auditions will be held Sat., Jan. 24, 2009 at Center for Creative Arts starting at 9:00 AM. Students will be assigned an approximate time to audition. Directors of auditioning students will help judge tryouts. The audition will consist of the prepared excerpts (35%), sight-reading (35%), and scales (30%). **Tryout excerpts are available on this website. If you need me to mail you a copy, please contact me.**

**Scales: Major scales to 3 sharps, two octaves (three optional for extra points. Basses—one octave required and two optional.). No written scale fingerings, note names, or other aids may be taken into the audition room. Monitors will check students' prepared piece copies for evidence of cheating.**

**Repertoire for the Red and Blue Orchestras will be announced ASAP.**

Tryout fee is \$6.00 per student (this was increased at the Fall General Meeting) with a school fee of \$10.00. Please list students in score order and send to Sandy Morris at CCA **to be received by Jan. 12. Because of past problems in collecting fees in a timely manner, students will not be allowed to audition this year if fees are not paid prior to 8:30 AM January 24.** Make one check out per school to ETSBOA and enclose with form, unless you are emailing form (then please mail it to me). Clinic fee is \$6.00 for each student who participates—you will be sent information later on paying that fee, and it also will be paid prior to Clinic for students to be allowed to participate.

Entry Form: **You may print and fill in the form attached, type a list w/ all info on it, OR email it to me at [morris\\_sandra@hcde.org](mailto:morris_sandra@hcde.org) (preferred).**

Be sure to list all info requested, including your MENC # and expiration date, at the bottom of your list. Call me or e-mail with questions—423 596-2703.

Thanks,  
Sandy Morris  
Clinic Host

**Jr. Clinic Tryout List**



November 21, 2008

Dear Parents,

Tryouts for the Lower East TN Junior Orchestra Clinic will be on Saturday, January 24, 2009 at Center for Creative Arts from 9:00 AM to approx. 2:00 PM. Seventh, eighth, ninth, and selected sixth graders are encouraged to try out. The Clinic is an excellent chance to play in an orchestra made up of the best string players at this grade level in the area. It includes students from every school in the area with a string program and will be held on Friday and Saturday, February 27-28, 2009 at Center for Creative Arts (Friday will be an excused absence from school). To try out, students must be able to play a piece they will be given in class, must know certain scales, and will sight-read. We will be spending some time in class working on the music and scales but students will need to practice at home as well to have a successful audition. Students who have a goal of being in All-East Orchestra in high school and/or receiving music scholarships should take advantage of this opportunity—the more often one auditions, the better one tends to do in auditions.

If you would like for your student to try out for the Clinic, please sign and return the form below with the \$6.00 entry fee by Wednesday, January 7 (make checks out to the school). All students who are selected will then pay a \$6.00 participation fee. The fees help pay for tryout expenses, clinicians, and for medals awarded to all students who participate.

You will be given your student's tryout time as soon as I have that information. If you must have a certain time because of previous commitments, please let me know on the form (I can't promise that we can honor all requests, but we'll try.) Please contact me if you have any questions.

Thanks!

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\_\_\_\_\_ has my permission to try out for the  
student's name

Lower East TN Junior Orchestra Clinic on January 24, 2009 at Center for Creative Arts. I agree to have him/her at school in time for the audition and provide a ride home. If accepted into the Clinic, he/she will participate in the clinic February 27-28, 2009.

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parent's signature

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date

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daytime phone

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