

Dundas Valley Orchestra HAALSA Young Musician Award 2022

Criteria

Purpose:

To recognize a promising young musician and provide them with an opportunity to perform as a soloist with the Dundas Valley Orchestra (DVO)

Eligibility Requirements

- Open to all orchestral instruments including harp, guitar, piano, organ, and voice
- Contestants should be no older than 19 at the time of application
- Resident of the Greater Hamilton Burlington Area
- Nominated by a music teacher

Audition Requirements

- Contestants must submit an application alongside a suitable recording that reflects their current level of musicianship by April 30th, 2022 (e.g., by CD, USB, .mp3, or link to online media)
- The recording may be own choice or the audition piece (the latter must be played for the live audition in September 2022 – see below)
- Applicants selected for the live audition will be notified by May 31st, 2022
- Selected contestants will come in for a live audition at a prearranged time in September 2022
- The suitability of the audition piece will be approved by the conductor of the DVO during the selection process for the live auditions

Winner Selection Process

- The contestants will be judged on their age-related level of musicianship
- The DVO's HAALSA Young Musician Award Committee will forward a nominee (s) for consideration to the DVO Board of Directors
- Final approval for selection of the winner is made by the DVO Board of Directors by October 2022

HAALSA Young Musicians Award Prizes

- A certificate of achievement
- A cash award of \$250.00 provided by HAALSA
- Perform with the DVO in January/February, 2023

Music Selection Requirements for Live Audition/Performance with the DVO

- Audition/performance piece must be one movement of a concerto or a one-movement composition suitable for accompaniment by the DVO in consultation with the conductor
- The accompanying music must be readily available
- Audition/performance piece should be no longer than 10 minutes

Summary of Application and Selection Deadlines

- Applications are due April 30th, 2022
- Those chosen for an audition in the fall will be contacted by May 31st, 2022
- Audition pieces will be approved by June 15th, 2022

- Auditions will follow in September 2022
- Winner will be announced by October 2022
- Concert performance with the DVO will be in January/February 2023 (**dependent on orchestra restrictions placed by COVID)