**Ballarat Symphony Orchestra**

**2020 YOUTH CONCERTO CONCERT**

**Call for Applications – Terms and Conditions**

The Ballarat Symphony Orchestra will hold its fifth annual Youth Concerto Concert on the afternoon of Sunday 21st June at the Wendouree Centre for performing Arts. Instrumental soloists or vocalists from the Ballarat region who are below the age of 22 on 11th March 2020 are invited to audition a work of their choice to perform with the Orchestra. Auditions will be held at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts on Saturday 21st March 2020.

Up to four applicants will be selected to play publicly with the orchestra and each soloist will receive a $400 scholarship to assist with their musical studies.

**CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

**Age limit**

The concert is open to players of orchestral instruments and piano or vocalists from the Ballarat Region who are under the age of 22 as of 11th March 2020.

**Ballarat association**

Applicants are expected to be from, or have studied in, Ballarat or the Ballarat region to be eligible for selection. Other applications will be considered where the applicant can demonstrate a substantial association with Ballarat or the Ballarat region.

**Work**

A complete work with orchestral accompaniment or selected movements may be submitted. As a guide works of up to 20 minutes will be acceptable.

**Applications**

Applicants must complete and submit the Application form and Photography Consent Form, and attach the following three items: 1. Scanned copy of your solo with piano accompaniment. 2. A clear head and shoulders photograph.3. Short biography (up to 250 words) about your music experiences and future music goals.

Applications should be mailed to PO Box 217 Wendouree VIC 3355. Alternatively, applications may be emailed to bsovp19@gmail.com Inquiries via email to Ms Elena Polevaya.

**Closing date for applications**

Applications close 5pm on Wednesday 11th March 2020.

**Auditions**

Applications will be reviewed for eligibility and where suitable, invitations to attend an audition will be extended to applicants. Auditions will be held at Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts, 1220 Howitt Street Wendouree, on Saturday 21st March 2020 from 9.00 am to 5:00 pm. Applicants should provide their own accompanists, however the BSO may be able to assist with an accompanist if necessary. Please let us know on submission of the application form. Applicants should prepare two or more contrasting sections of their selected work up to a limit of 10 minutes to demonstrate their potential as a performer.

**Selection Criteria**

 Successful applicants will be selected in accordance with the following criteria:-

1. Musical and technical proficiency with regard to age.
2. Audience appeal - contribution to an appealing overall concert program.
3. Suitability/availability/cost of orchestral parts for Ballarat Symphony Orchestra.

The choice of the selection panel shall be final and no correspondence will be entered into regarding the relative merits of applications.

**Rehearsals**

The Ballarat Symphony Orchestra rehearses on Friday evenings at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts from 7:30pm. Rehearsals for the Youth Concerto Concert commence on May 1st 2020. Successful applicants will be expected to attend rehearsals in accordance with a rehearsal schedule prepared by the BSO Guest Conductor. Any constraints in attending rehearsals should be noted on the application form.

**Concert**

The Youth Concerto Concert will take place on Sunday 21st June 2020 commencing at 2:30pm at the Wendouree Centre for Performing Arts, Ballarat. Each soloist will receive two complimentary tickets for the concert. The photograph and biography of each successful applicant will be utilized for publicity and program purposes prior to the concert. Other pre-approved photographs may be used in pre-concert publicity, as per Photography Consent Form. Concerts may be recorded; if so, all rights will vest with the BSO. Where possible (depending on copyright restrictions), a copy of the performance will be made available free of charge to each soloist. A $400 scholarship will be presented to each soloist on stage at the end of the concert.

 **BALLARAT SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA YOUTH CONCERTO CONCERT**

APPLICATION FORM 2020

Submit to bsovp19@gmail.com

Or: Ballarat Symphony Orchestra, PO Box 217 Wendouree VIC 3355

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on 11th March 2020 and I agree to his/her participation in the 2020 Youth Concerto Concert on June 21st 2020 and its terms and conditions of entry.

**Checklist: Please attach.** Copy of solo with piano accompaniment, Photography consent form, Head and shoulder photograph of applicant, Short biography.