



Northwest Florida Symphony Orchestra  
at Northwest Florida State College

## IMPORTANT DATES:

- **Oct. 13, 2022 – Application Package DUE**
- **Oct. 21, 2022 – Finalists Chosen**
- **Nov. 5, 2022 – Competition Finals**
- **Jan. 21 & 22, 2023 – Winners Perform with NFSO**

## 35<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL NFSO JOHN LEATHERWOOD CONCERTO COMPETITION (2022-23)

Sponsored by the Northwest Florida Symphony Orchestra Guild  
& Northwest Florida State College

### Competition Rules:

- The competition is open to performers of orchestral instruments, keyboard, and voice who (or if dependent, whose parents) maintain a legal residence in Northwest Florida in the following counties: Alachua, Baker, Bay, Bradford, Calhoun, Clay, Columbia, Dixie, Duval, Escambia, Franklin, Gadsden, Gilchrist, Gulf, Hamilton, Holmes, Jackson, Jefferson, Lafayette, Leon, Liberty, Madison, Nassau, Okaloosa, Putnam, Santa Rosa, St. Johns, Suwannee, Taylor, Union, Wakulla, Walton, Washington.
- All applicants must provide a DVD or YouTube link of one movement of a concerto with piano accompaniment for the initial screening. If you wish your recording to be returned, please provide a self-addressed, stamped envelope.
- Please consider musical selections carefully. The judges and music director reserve the right to disqualify a contestant on the basis of a selection that is not suitable for this competition. The most successful pieces have come from the standard repertoire. Consideration must be made of the availability and expense of orchestral scores for possible performance with the NFSO. Contact Education Director Lynne Fehrenbach (fehrenal@nwfsc.edu) with questions regarding repertoire.
- All applicants will be notified by e-mail no later than **October 21, 2022**, regarding their participation as a finalist in the live audition.
- Contestants may win only one time in any division.
- All finalists are required to provide their own accompanist for the live audition.
- **All finalists are required to perform by memory.**
- Live auditions will be held on **SATURDAY, November 5, 2022**, in the Tyler Recital Hall of The Mattie Kelly Fine & Performing Arts Center at Northwest Florida State College, 100 College Blvd., Niceville, Florida.
- Winner(s) will perform, at the Music Director's discretion, with the NFSO on **January 21 & 22, 2023.**
- **The decision of the judges is FINAL. Comments will not be distributed.**
- The 35<sup>th</sup> Annual Concerto Competition is divided into three divisions: Junior Division (through 8<sup>th</sup> grade), Senior Division (grades 9 – 12), and College Division (only college undergraduates who are 23 years or younger at the date of the performance – January 21 & 22, 2023 and enrolled as a full-time student). **The competition makes awards in the amounts of \$500 for Junior Division, \$1,000 for Senior Division, and \$1,500 for College Division.** There may or may not be a winner in each division. There will be no ties within any division. The awards will be presented to winner(s) on **January 21, 2023.**

- **Application packets must be postmarked by October 13, 2022, and must include the following:**
  - o Completed application form
  - o Non-refundable fee of \$40 made out to *NFSO Concerto Competition*
  - o DVD recording of concerto movement or link to YouTube video recording

See NEXT PAGE FOR APPLICATION FORM TO FILL OUT:

**SUBMIT APPLICATION MATERIALS TO:**

**Lynne Fehrenbach, Education and Outreach Director**

**Northwest Florida Symphony Orchestra**

**Northwest Florida State College**

**100 College Boulevard**

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Application Form

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Birth date	Grade/Level	School
Applicant's Name	Name of Music Instructor	
Address	Address	
City	County	City State Zip
State	Zip	
Phone	Instructor's Phone	

E-mail address	Instructor's E-mail Address
Instrument	(The following section is for office use.)
Composer                      Movement(s)	Arrival Date                      Received by
Title of Work, including Key and Opus Number if available	Returned by
Signature of Applicant (Guardian if under 18 years of Age)	
Link to YouTube Video if DVD not provided	