

Dear Colleague,

Georgia College would like to recognize the fine work being done by all string teachers in Georgia and the whole southeastern region. We know you work hard to help motivate young people to develop their artistic and musical talent, and you deserve to have your efforts, and your students, applauded in a tangible way. Toward this end, the Georgia College Department of Music is holding its next annual competition for young performers on orchestral strings called –

***The Georgia College Performance Competition
for Strings***

We hope this competition will give your students a chance to introduce themselves as young musicians, and at the same time, will provide us with an opportunity to say “thank you” for promoting performance and musicianship among string students.

The competition is designed for solo performance, and will be offered as a comprehensive event for all instruments, in two categories: for middle school students (6th – 8th grades) and for high school students (9th – 12th grades). There will be cash prizes as well as citations for exceptional musicianship and artistry. We hope that you will encourage your students to use this competition as a performance goal during the spring term.

Sincerely,



Dan Auerbach
Competition Coordinator

LOCATION:

Georgia College is Georgia's public liberal arts university. It is located in Milledgeville, Ga., which is 30 miles northeast of Macon, 45 miles south of I-20, 40 miles north of I-16, and 90 miles southeast of Atlanta.



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Campus Box 66
Milledgeville, GA 31061

THE GEORGIA COLLEGE
Performance Competition for Strings
SATURDAY, FEB. 18, 2012



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combining the educational experience expected at esteemed private liberal
arts colleges with the affordability of public higher education.*

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*Performance Competition
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SATURDAY, FEB. 18, 2012

Max Noah Recital Hall | Porter Fine Arts Building | Wilkinson Street



The Georgia College Performance Competition for Strings

Purpose

The purpose of this competition is to encourage string performance and musicianship among students, and to reward those who have worked diligently to build their musical and artistic skill. Further, the competition recognizes the teachers of orchestral strings for their outstanding efforts to open up the world of music to their students.

Guidelines and Procedures

- There will be one comprehensive event for all instruments: violin, viola, violoncello and bass.
- Participants must be enrolled in a middle school (6th – 8th grade) or high school (9th – 12th grade), or a comparable home schooling structure at the time of the competition.
- Participants must have the recommendation of their instrumental teachers.
- The participation fee of \$20 for middle school or \$30 for high school must accompany the application.
- Applications must be received at Georgia College by Feb. 6, 2012. No changes in program will be accepted beyond this date.
- Participants should be prepared to play one piece (or a set of pieces) which demonstrates the range of their technique and musicianship. Competitors must present the original music to the judges.
- Performance time is 8 minutes for high school and 6 minutes for middle school.
- The pieces chosen should be part of the standard repertoire for the instrument. Simplified arrangements are not acceptable for this competition.
- Participants need not use an accompanist and should supply their own if preferred.
- Students' dress should be casual but appropriate for performance.
- Assigned performance times cannot be changed except in unusual circumstances.
- Competition performances will be closed to the public.

Schedule of Events

(All events are in Max Noah Recital Hall in Porter Fine Arts Building.)

- 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Max Noah Hall stage available for 15-minute practice slots. Practice rooms available.
- 10:30 a.m. Registration begins for middle school division
- 11:15 a.m. Middle school participants' meeting
- 11:45 a.m. Middle school auditions begin (8-minute slots)
- 1:45 p.m. Registration begins for high school division
- 2:20 p.m. High school participants' meeting
- 2:40 p.m. High school auditions begin (10-minute slots)
- 4:00 p.m. Sponsors' reception / Announcement of winners
- 5:00 p.m. Winners' Recital (open to the public)

Note: Lunch is served in the dining hall on campus, 11:30 a.m.–1:30 p.m. Also, there are quite a few restaurants and sandwich shops within two blocks of the competition site. For students interested in Georgia College, there are guided campus tours on Saturday that can be booked through the Georgia College Admissions Office (478-445-1283). We invite you also to visit the Georgia College website at www.gcsu.edu or info.gcsu.edu.

There will be cash prizes for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each division (middle school and high school). Honorable mentions will be made at the judges' discretion. First place winners in both categories will be considered for a guest soloist spot in the Georgia College Orchestra 2012-2013 concerts.

All participants will receive a certificate of participation signed by the audition panel.

For additional information please feel free to contact the Competition Coordinator, Dr. Dan Auerbach at (478) 445-2643, or by email at dan.auerbach@gcsu.edu.

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Georgia College
Max Noah Recital Hall | Porter Fine Arts Building

Saturday, Feb. 18, 2012

Applications must be received at Georgia College by Feb. 6, 2012.

APPLICATION

Student Name: _____

Instrument: (circle one) *violin* *viola* *cello* *bass*

Address: _____

Student's E-mail: _____

Student's Phone: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Teacher's E-mail: _____

Teacher's Phone: _____

Division: ☐ Middle School ☐ High School

Proposed Competition Piece:

Title: _____

Composer: _____

MAIL YOUR ENTRY TO:

Dr. Dan Auerbach
Performance Competition for Strings
Department of Music
Campus Box 66
Georgia College
Milledgeville, GA 31061

Be sure to include your \$20 (Middle School) or \$30 (High School) participation fee.

PLEASE MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO:

"GCSU Foundation, Inc. – Strings"
for: "Strings Competition"