



Western Piedmont
Youth Symphony

**Western Piedmont Youth Symphony - Conductor David Wortman
Rehearsal and Concert Schedule 2019-2020 SPRING Season**

All rehearsals will be held in the Keiser Room from 5 – 6:45 pm unless noted otherwise.

Spring 2020

January 6
January 13
January 20 - MLK Day, NO REHEARSAL
January 27
February 3
February 10
February 17
February 24
March 2
March 9
March 16
March 23 - Drendel Auditorium Rehearsal, 5:00 - 7:00 PM
March 30 - Drendel Auditorium Rehearsal, 5:00 - 7:00 PM
April 3 - Concert for Middle School Students, more info TBD
April 6 - Drendel Auditorium Rehearsal, 5:00 - 6:00 PM
Concert, 7:00 PM



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Payment

Payment is expected at the time of enrollment, but payment plans are available, if needed. Tuition is \$65 per semester. Tuition does not include admission price for guests to hear your performances. Admission to WPYS concerts generally costs \$5 per person, payable at the door, and helps support the WPYS orchestra program.

Participation

Everyone must audition, even returning members. Mr. Wortman reserves the right to re-evaluate chairs mid-season, as well. Responsibilities as a member of the Western Piedmont Youth Symphony include the expectation that you will attend all rehearsals, perform in one youth symphony concert in the spring, serve as a volunteer for at least one Western Piedmont Symphony (orchestra or resident string quartet) concert per season, and arrive to all of these engagements on time. WPYS members are expected to be respectful to each other, to their music director, and to WPS staff, volunteers, and patrons. Failure to meet expectations could result in dismissal, without refund. We are happy to report this is generally not a problem! We are proud of the accomplishments of so many of our past and current WPYS members.

Volunteering at Our Professional Concerts

WPYS members are expected to volunteer for at least one of our professional concerts per season, where they will have the ability to meet and assist many of the patrons who help support the WPYS program; and to hear performances from artists who once started out as young musicians themselves! You will select the performance via the Google Form used during registration.

Volunteers should arrive by 6 p.m. in black pants/skirt + white shirt/blouse and check in with the house manager in the lobby of the auditorium. Doors open to the public at 6:30 p.m., so arriving on time gives us about 30 minutes to go over procedures. Youth Symphony members typically volunteer as Usher Ambassadors, greeting and seating symphony patrons. Our Volunteer Coordinator will speak to you all during a rehearsal this season to go over your role as a volunteer in more detail. Once the performance begins at 7:30 p.m., you are welcome to stay and enjoy the concert. Your admission is complimentary. If you have a parent or other person driving you to volunteer, we will happily offer one additional complimentary ticket, as well, if they would like to stay and enjoy the performance with you. In order to take advantage of the complimentary ticket offer, please advise WPS staff upon check-in.

While we make every attempt to send out reminders to you about the dates you've volunteered, this is ultimately your responsibility. WPS staff depends on volunteers, so if you've signed up and can't make it, ask a fellow WPYS member to sub for you.

Youth Symphony Concert Nights

This season you will have a 5 p.m. rehearsal prior to your 7 p.m. performance on concert nights – both will be held in Drendel Auditorium at the SALT Block. We will break for dinner between the rehearsal & performance. Concert dress for youth symphony musicians is generally the same as what you would wear to volunteer (see guidelines in volunteerism section above). Final details will be given closer to concert dates.

Tuition does not include admission price for guests to hear your performances, so please tell your attendees to plan accordingly. Admission to WPYS concerts costs \$5 per person, and helps support the WPYS orchestra program. Tickets are available at the door and starting this year, you may also buy tickets ahead of time online or at the box office!

Following the concerts, we have a free reception for you and all concert-goers. Each family will be asked to bring one appetizer or dessert to share, and to drop it off in the reception area. Final details will be given closer to concert dates...**We look forward to having you with us this season!**

I understand my responsibilities as a member of the Western Piedmont Youth Symphony include the expectation that I will attend all rehearsals, perform in two youth symphony concerts per season, serve as a volunteer for at least one Western Piedmont Symphony concert per season, and arrive to all of these engagements on time. When I volunteer at WPS concerts, I will have the opportunity to attend the performance for free, upon completing my service time.

MUSICIAN SIGNATURE

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE

Return this form with your tuition payment of \$65

If you have questions/concerns, need to make a payment arrangement, or would like to request a scholarship, simply let us know! Contact WPS – 828.324.8603 or youthsymphony@wpsymphony.org



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General Media Release Form

I, the undersigned, understand that my participation in Western Piedmont Youth Symphony may be photographed, video-, and audio-recorded.

I authorize the use of any such photographic or electronic reproductions of me for any purpose, including, but not limited to, educational and other public media as may be deemed appropriate by Western Piedmont Symphony and its affiliates. I understand that I may be identifiable from such photographic or electronic reproduction. I understand that there will be no financial or other remuneration for recording me either for initial or subsequent transmission or playback. I waive any rights, claims, or interest I may have to control the use of my identity or likeness in whatever media used.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND FULLY UNDERSTANDS IT.

Agreed and accepted by:

Print Name of Musician: _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Signature of Musician _____ Date _____

Parent/Guardian Signature Date
(If under 18 years old, Parent or Guardian must also sign.)



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Accident Waiver and Release of Liability Form

I HEREBY ASSUME ALL OF THE RISKS OF PARTICIPATING IN ANY/ALL ACTIVITIES ASSOCIATED WITH WESTERN PIEDMONT SYMPHONY, including by way of example and not limitation, any risks that may arise from negligence or carelessness on the part of the persons or entities being released, from dangerous or defective equipment or property owned, maintained, or controlled by them, or because of their possible liability without fault.

I certify that I am physically fit, have sufficiently prepared or trained for participation in this activity, and have not been advised to not participate by a qualified medical professional. I certify that there are no health-related reasons or problems which preclude my participation in this activity.

I acknowledge that this Accident Waiver and Release of Liability Form will be used by the event holders, sponsors, and organizers of the activity in which I may participate, and that it will govern my actions and responsibilities at said activity.

In consideration of my application and permitting me to participate in this activity, I hereby take action for myself, my executors, administrators, heirs, next of kin, successors, and assigns as follows:

(A) I WAIVE, RELEASE, AND DISCHARGE from any and all liability, including but not limited to, liability arising from the negligence or fault of the entities or persons released, for my death, disability, personal injury, property damage, property theft, or actions of any kind which may hereafter occur to me including my traveling to and from this activity, THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES OR PERSONS: The Western Piedmont Symphony, (WPS) and/or their directors, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents, and the activity holders, sponsors, and volunteers;

(B) INDEMNIFY, HOLD HARMLESS, AND PROMISE NOT TO SUE the entities or persons mentioned in this paragraph from any and all liabilities or claims made as a result of participation in this activity, whether caused by the negligence of release or otherwise.

The Accident Waiver and Release of Liability Form shall be construed broadly to provide a release and waiver to the maximum extent permissible under applicable law. I CERTIFY THAT I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT AND I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENT. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT AND I SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

Participant's Signature

Date

Participant's Name and Age

Parent/Guardian Signature

Date

(If under 18 years old, Parent or Guardian must also sign.)



DAVID WORTMAN

Youth Symphony Conductor

David Wortman earned a Bachelor of Music in Music Education, Cum Laude, from Appalachian State University, as well as a Master of Music in Music Education from UNCG. He earned National Board Certification in 2010. Mr. Wortman is Band Director at Northview Middle School in Hickory. As a clinician and adjudicator, Mr. Wortman has been the conductor of numerous honor bands and university summer camp bands. He is in demand as a saxophonist and woodwind doubler with numerous professional jazz ensembles, small groups, and pit orchestras. He is the Past-Chair of the NCMEA Jazz Section. He was voted Catawba County Band Director of the Year in 2014 and the Wilmer Jenkins Teacher of the Year for Northview MS in 2012. Mr. Wortman has served as an adjunct faculty member of Lenoir-Rhyne University, conducting multiple ensembles. He is a member of the American School Band Directors Association (ASBDA) and is a Cannonball Saxophone Endorsed Educator.