

## **Philharmonic Orchestra Newsletter - August 23**

**Location:** Pike High School

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### **Rehearsal Times:**

Concert Orchestra: 3:30 - 5:00 pm

Philharmonic Orchestra 1:00 - 3:00 pm

Symphony Orchestra: 1:00 - 4:30 pm

**Note to Parents:** A separate e-mail will be sent on Friday as a recap of the parent meeting from the retreat last weekend.

**Remember to bring (to EVERY rehearsal):** music, music stand, instrument and bow, rock stop

**Note about music stands:** Philharmonic Orchestra will NOT be using Butler music stands when we rehearse at that location. Music stands are to be left in the other rehearsal rooms and members are expected to bring their own (or share with a friend) for use at rehearsal.

**From the conductor:** For Sunday's rehearsal, please focus on the Beethoven, Borodin, and Wilson. For this week, please don't worry about the Biales. The last 30 minutes will be strings only. No piano or harp will be needed at all this week.

Percussion: Please bring a snare drum to rehearsal. Daniel - please plan to be there from 1:30 to 2:30 only.

### **August 30 rehearsal:**

Tentatively scheduled for Carmel High School. Watch your e-mail and the website for more details next week.

### **Set-up and clean-up at rehearsal:**

Members will be expected to help with set-up as they arrive at rehearsals and clean-up at the end of rehearsal. When at Butler, this will involve the movement of about 40 chairs from another rehearsal room. This goes a lot faster with the help of everyone. Pack up your instrument (to keep it safe) and then go back to the room to help with cleaning up trash and moving chairs.

## **Fun program for members: Speak of the Week**

The rules are simple. Visit our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/newworldyouthorchestra](http://www.facebook.com/newworldyouthorchestra). (Not a fan yet? Join now! Otherwise you can't post. Don't have Facebook? E-mail your answer to [Speak.of.the.Week@gmail.com](mailto:Speak.of.the.Week@gmail.com)). Click the "Boxes" tab. Find the newest SPEAK OF THE WEEK discussion topic and post a reply.

How to win:

Respond to the topic with the best, most creative answer and you can win a prize at the next week's rehearsal. We will announce each week's new topic before rehearsal. You have until the following Friday to post a response. Winners will be announced at the next Sunday rehearsal. (Note: Vulgarity and profanity is strictly prohibited and will result in disqualification and deletion of the response.)

This week's topic: What is the funniest knock-knock joke you have ever heard?

### **Member handbook tip:**

Do you know how to report an absence?

Report an absence by e-mailing [attendance@nwyo.org](mailto:attendance@nwyo.org). We expect to receive absence notifications at least during the week prior to the anticipated absence, except in the case of illness or emergency. The earlier the notification the better! If you decide to tell your conductor directly, we ask that you still contact the New World office at the above e-mail address as well.

### **Exciting offer!**

Many of you picked up a brochure from the Ensemble Music Society at the retreat. This group presents 6 chamber music concerts each season in Indianapolis. They are currently offering FREE tickets to students ages 18 and younger (check out the Guarneri Quartet, for example). This is a truly exciting and exceptional opportunity. Make the most of it and put their concert dates on your calendar. If you would like a brochure I will bring the remaining copies to rehearsal on Sunday.

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