East Bay Music Foundation announces:

EBMF Chamber Music Festival 2024

Saturday, January 27, 2024, afternoon Berkeley Piano Club 2724 Haste St. Berkeley, CA



Purpose: To provide a venue for young musicians to experience the excitement and pleasure of playing chamber music, as both performers and as audience members.

Performance Application: Opens November 1, 2023, closes December 1, 2023. Some early applicants may receive an invitation before the deadline. All applicants will be **notified by December 15**. Due to space limitations, we can invite only a limited number of ensemble groups to perform. The overall balance of the concert program will be an important consideration in selecting ensemble groups.

Audition recording: You are required to submit a video recording of a 2-3 minute portion of the performance piece. You will be asked for the link on the online application form.

Application Fee: \$70 per ensemble (non-refundable)

Eligibility:

- 1) Every ensemble member must be in school grades 3-12.
- 2) At least one ensemble member <u>or</u> the ensemble coach must be an Alameda, Contra Costa, or Solano County resident.

Acceptable ensembles:

The ensemble must consist of two* or more instruments, one on a part, without conductor. All repertoire is subject to approval by the concert committee. If the number of qualified applications received is higher than space allows, priority may be given to ensembles with three or more instruments.

* All duos must perform works that exhibit equal weight between the two performers. For example, a sonata for a string (or wind or brass) instrument <u>and</u> piano is acceptable, but a solo instrumental piece with piano accompaniment is not. A two-piano duo is acceptable, but a concerto with piano orchestral reduction is not. Similarly, lieder and art song are welcomed, but operatic arias with piano accompaniment are not.

Performance Time limit: 5-12 minutes. Playing one or two movements of a longer work, or two short pieces, is acceptable. For advanced pieces exceeding the time limit, please consult the event chair for approval.

Questions? Contact Chamber Music Festival Director Alison Lee at eastbaymf@gmail.com.

Ensemble Matching Service

Are you a young musician enamored with the idea of playing in the EBMF Chamber Festival but don't already have a group of like-minded musicians? Check out our **Ensemble Matching Service page** to find out how we can help you find friends to play chamber music with. Teachers, this program is for you too! The application opens August 1, 2023 and closes September 15, 2023. Matches will be assigned by October 15, 2023. We look forward to hearing from you!