

# Dress Rehearsal & Concert Info

## Spring 2021



**MAY 1 & 2, 2021**

**Concert Dress is required!**

Benson Hall, 3900 Bethel Dr, Arden Hills

Performance times are listed on the attached concert schedule. If you are performing in more than one piece, **make note of each group's performance time.** Direct scheduling questions to [mys@mnyouthsymphonies.org](mailto:mys@mnyouthsymphonies.org).

Please check-in backstage 15 minutes early.

**SATURDAY PERFORMERS:** You will only be rehearsing and performing in Benson Hall. You do not need to bring a music stand.

**SUNDAY PERFORMERS:** Before performing in Benson Hall, you will be rehearsing in a different room. You *must* bring a music stand for rehearsal.

**Students must participate in at least two in-person rehearsals in order to perform in-person. We hope to have as many students as possible playing in our concert! If you would prefer not to participate due to concerns with COVID-19, confirm this with the MYS staff by April 2nd at [mys@mnyouthsymphonies.org](mailto:mys@mnyouthsymphonies.org).**

### Concert Dress Guidelines:



Please arrive at Benson Hall wearing your concert attire for the concert. Concert black is required, but masks are *not* required to be black. Masks must be worn at all times.

**Girls (all orchestras):** Black floor-length dress or black floor-length skirt or pants with black blouse or top with elbow length or long sleeves. Black closed-toed dress shoes and black hose or tights.

**Boys (all orchestras):** Black suit or tuxedo. White shirt and black bow tie.

Black dress shoes, dark socks.

**Please do not wear the following items at an MYS concert:** Tight-fitting skirts, side slits on skirts, jumpers, plunging necklines, backless dresses, sleeveless or strapless dresses or blouses, jeans, suspenders, leggings, dangling earrings, glitter, sequins, bracelets, extra large hair bows, open-toed or tennis shoes. Please do not wear any perfume or cologne.

### COVID-19 Guidelines:

All students and audience members are expected to practice proper social distancing techniques and wear a mask at all times. Brass and wind players should wear a slitted mask and use a bell cover and instrument cover if applicable. Chairs will properly spaced onstage with at least six feet of distance for strings and wind instruments and nine feet of distance for brass instruments. Audience seating will be marked to allow for social distancing and chairs will be sanitized between performances. Please follow the markings on the floor of the lobby in Benson Hall to make sure you remain socially distanced.

## What to bring to Benson Hall:

Remember your instrument and music! It is your responsibility as a musician to have extra strings, mutes, reeds, or any other miscellaneous items for your instrument. **Saturday performers: Music stands will be provided by Benson Hall. Sunday performers: You must bring your own music stand for rehearsal prior to performing in Benson Hall.** You will not have a stand partner, so do not leave your music at home!

## Arriving/Parking at Benson Hall:

Free parking will be available on the day of the concert.

All families should park in the West Parking Lot, right across the street from Benson Hall, and enter the Benson Hall main entrance. Students will be directed upon arrival to Benson Hall.

## Live Streaming:

A livestream of the concert will be provided free of charge available on the MYS website. We invite you to make a suggested donation of \$20 to MYS in lieu of ticket fees. Donations of \$50 and above will enter you in a raffle to earn a free trimester of tuition for the student of your choice currently enrolled in MYS. The livestream link will be provided at <https://www.mnyouthsymphonies.org/2021-spring-concert> at a later date.

## Audience Member Guidelines:

Each MYS student is allowed *one* guest during their performance time, free of charge. Any additional guests may be turned away, per COVID-19 guidelines. Families must confirm their student's participation and register a guest at <https://www.mnyouthsymphonies.org/2021-spring-concert>. We are waiving ticket prices, but have a suggested donation of \$20 per ticket, about the cost of a ticket during a regular season. With a VIP donation of \$50, you will be entered win a free trimester of tuition for a current MYS student of your choice.

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