

Dear Chorister,

Congratulations! Your conductor/teacher has recommended you for an audition to the 2019 Ontario Youth Choir! The Ontario Youth Choir (OYC) is Ontario's honour choir for outstanding choristers between the ages of 16 and 23. As an honour choir, a high standard of choral musicianship and ability is expected; your conductor's recommendation to audition speaks very highly of your talent and musical achievements.

The Ontario Youth Choir brings together some of Ontario's most accomplished young choristers to sing under the direction of a renowned choral conductor. This year, OYC will be conducted by Vicki St. Pierre, the acclaimed conductor and an OYC alumni. Through the OYC experience you will grow as a musician, develop your leadership skills, meet other talented young singers, and perform a diverse and challenging program of music.

Admission to the Ontario Youth Choir is by audition (in person in Toronto, London and Ottawa in late March/early April or via Skype). Singers are asked to prepare two contrasting solos and bring two copies of each. Memorization of the selections is recommended. Ear and sight-reading tests will be administered. \$40 audition fee applies.

Choristers selected for the choir will be required to commit to a rehearsal week (Aug 9-15 in London) and a brief tour (Aug 16-18, with concert locations in London, Goderich and Toronto). A registration fee of \$795 will be assessed to all OYC choristers.

Choristers recommended for an audition are asked to complete their audition registration online by going to "Apply for an Audition" section on the Ontario Youth Choir page. The deadline to upload audition materials is March 22, 2019. Once the form has been received, audition details will be emailed to you.

More information about the Ontario Youth Choir can be found on the Choirs Ontario website at <https://choirsontario.org/ontario-youth-choir>. Should you have any questions about OYC, please don't hesitate to contact our office at info@choirsontario.org or 416-923-1144.

We look forward to receiving your audition materials!

Sincerely,



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