

ANNUAL SPRING CONVENTION PERFORMING GROUP APPLICATION

Current NSBA members are encouraged to submit audition recordings for their ensemble to be considered to perform at the 59th annual NSBA Convention, March 5-7, 2020. Any instrumental ensemble may apply except those that were selected to perform for the 2017, 2018 or 2019 conferences. Helpful tips for recording your ensemble can be found here:

https://www.midwestclinic.org/performance_tips.html

Note: the ensemble director must be a member in good standing of NSBA at the time of submitting an application as well as at the time of the performance (if selected).

All auditioning ensembles will be notified of the results in the first week of January. Selected ensembles should be prepared to perform on Thursday, March 5; Friday, March 6; or Saturday, March 7. Each performing group is responsible for providing their own programs for the performance and covering all associated travel costs.

Applications must include:

- Completed application ([click here](#)).
- The following, uploaded through the application form:
 - High quality, unedited, digital recordings (mp3 or mp4 format) of two contrasting selections recorded live within the 2019 calendar year. Do not include any audible identification of the ensemble on the recordings.
 - High resolution digital photo of the ensemble (640 x 480 pixels recommended, jpg or png format) and ensemble bio (300 word max)
 - High resolution digital photo of the director (640 x 480 pixels recommended, jpg or png format) and director bio (300 word max)
 - Proposed concert program (this is in order to help us avoid double programming of the same piece by different selected ensembles)
 - Ensemble seating chart (PDF)
 - Chairs, music stands, a conductor's podium and stand, and the following large percussion equipment will be provided: 4 timpani, bass drum, marimba, vibraphone, xylophone, chimes/tubular bells. All other equipment is the responsibility of the performing group.

Incomplete entries will not be considered. Deadline for submission of all application materials: December 16, 2019 (11:59:59 p.m.).

Submit all application materials through the form found on the website:

https://nsbma.formstack.com/forms/2020_conference_performing_group_application

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