Dear ISYM String Chamber Program Participant,

We are delighted that you will be joining us for the Illinois Summer Youth Music String Chamber Music Program! Following are some specific details regarding the program.

Please prepare 10 minutes of solo music to work on in lessons and master classes during the course of the program. This music should be performance ready upon your arrival at ISYM. We will have an accompanist available to collaborate with you during the week and at the final concert on Saturday. If you plan to perform a piece that includes piano accompaniment, please send a digital scan of the selection(s) you will be performing to isym@illinois.edu as an email attachment (preferably in PDF format) as early as possible so that the staff accompanist will have an opportunity become familiar with the composition.

**Application Instructions:**

Applications for pre-formed groups will be reviewed on a rolling basis, and priority will be given to groups who apply by April 15th. Pre-formed group members should apply separately and then email ISYM@illinois.edu to indicate the members of the group. An audition recording is required—groups should submit a youtube or sound cloud link to isym@illinois.edu by April 15th.

Individual musician’s applications will be reviewed after April 15th. Audition recordings are required and should be submitted via youtube or sound cloud link to isym@illinois.edu after submitting the registration form.

The recording should be about 5 minutes long and include a good representation of your abilities as a player. The purpose of the recording is to help us determine how best to meet your musical needs and to place you in a quartet. The recording is for placement only, it is not an admissions audition for ISYM. There will be no live-audition on the first day. The faculty will review your recording and assign you quartet pars which will be sent to you in advance, please have your parts prepared before arriving at ISYM.

Our program will engage you in all aspects of viola performance through private lessons, master classes, and special topic presentations. Please contact the ISYM office should you have questions. I look forward to working with you!

Sincerely,

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