



## 2020 AVS Festival Viola Ensemble Invitational Competition Guidelines

June 3-6, 2020 – The University of Tennessee, Knoxville

The American Viola Society invites student viola ensembles with participants under the age of 26 to participate in the 2020 AVS Viola Ensemble Invitation Competition.

Nine highly qualified youth viola ensembles (three from each division) will be invited to perform in a viola ensemble showcase and mass viola ensemble performance at the 2020 American Viola Society Festival on June 3-6, 2020 at The University of Tennessee in Knoxville.

Please review the entry form guidelines for each division and the general guidelines as outlined below. In addition to the required works listed below, we invite you to review the viola ensemble database located at <http://www.americanviolasociety.org/Ensemble-Database/Search.php> for additional repertoire ideas.

### Junior Viola Ensemble Division (all members must be ages 14 and under by June 1, 2020)

- Required piece: Johann Groh - *Five Intradas for Viola Quintet* (arr. Paul Groh), movement 1, *Allegretto* (AVS online member scores located at <http://www.americanviolasociety.org/Resources/Multiple-Violas.php>)
- Free choice
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- Time limit: 20 minutes
- Minimum four players. (See doubling guideline in general application requirements below.)

### Senior Viola Ensemble Division (all members must be pre-college students age 18 or under by June 1, 2020)

- Required piece: Michel Rondeau - *Variations on Tomorrow Shall Be My Dancing Day* (AVS online member scores located at <https://www.americanviolasociety.org/Resources/Multiple-Violas-Members.php>)
- Free choice
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- Time limit: 25 minutes
- Minimum four players. (See doubling guideline in general application requirements below.)

### Collegiate Viola Ensemble Division (all members must under age 26 by June 1, 2020 OR enrolled as an undergraduate, masters or artist diploma/performance certificate student at an accredited institution during the 2019-2020 academic year)

- Required piece: Michael Kimber - *Dancing Viola!*, movement 1, *Dancing Dawn* (AVS online member scores located at <https://www.americanviolasociety.org/Resources/Multiple-Violas-Members.php>)
- Free choice
- Free choice
- Time limit: 30 minutes
- Minimum four players. (See doubling guideline in general requirements below.)

### General Requirements

- \$50 entry fee per ensemble
- Completed 2020 Festival Youth Ensemble invitational application form (see next page).
- All student ensemble participants must be current members of the American Viola Society.
- 75% of student ensemble members represented in the video submission must be available to participate in the ensemble showcase in Knoxville if their ensemble is selected for national performance.
- Ensembles must present all repertoire for their division, in the order listed above, for the video recorded application.
- Doubling of parts is allowed as long as all ensemble members fall within the age range or school enrollment guidelines of the division.
- Free choice selections may include works that are written for any number of violas.

### Designated Ensemble Coordinator

- Each ensemble must have a designated ensemble coordinator who is a current AVS member. Should the ensemble be selected for the national showcase, the ensemble coordinator must be able to attend the AVS Festival.
- The ensemble coordinator is responsible for submitting complete and accurate information for all members of their ensemble on the application form.
- The ensemble coordinator for each division must be age 18 or older.
- Once ensembles have been selected for invitation to perform in the national showcase, directions, event scheduling, and performance locations will be shared with the ensemble coordinator. Ensemble coordinators are responsible for making sure their ensembles are aware of these details.

### Ensemble Video Application

- For the preliminary video application, the ensemble coordinator will upload video recordings of their ensemble performing each of the pieces listed for the respective ensemble division. The link for video recording submission will be posted by October 1, 2019. Entries must be submitted by 11:59pm EST of November 30, 2019 to participate in the invitational.
- **Video Requirements:** Each ensemble will submit 3 separate video files, with each file containing a complete and unedited selection from the repertoire list. Videos must not be edited in any way and must not include any written or spoken identifiers. Be sure that you have sufficient time to upload your videos before the competition submission deadline. Please submit videos that are as high quality as possible.

### Notification

- All ensemble coordinators will be notified no later than January 1, 2020 of their status.
- Those ensembles invited to appear at the festival must notify the National AVS Office by February 1, 2020 of their intent to appear in the viola ensemble showcase.
- Each invited ensemble's performance repertoire for the national showcase will be selected from the repertoire they submitted in the preliminary video application.
- Invited ensembles will be asked to perform up to two of their repertoire selections for a national showcase event and to also participate in a mass viola ensemble performance.
- Invited ensembles are responsible for their own festival registration, food, housing, and travel.
- All invited ensemble members under age 18 must be accompanied by a parent, teacher or other responsible adult.



# 2020 FESTIVAL YOUTH ENSEMBLE INVITATIONAL APPLICATION

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List the names and ages of all members of your ensemble: please print clearly

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