






Symphony For The Schools **“Our Arizona!” Essay Contest**

As part of the *Symphony for the Schools* concerts on February 24th and 25th, we are pleased to announce the return of the “Our Arizona” essay contest.

Below is a list of requirements and guidelines.

- One 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winner will be chosen from each grade level category. Winners will have their names recognized during the concert.
- The first prize winner from each grade level will be invited to the stage to read a portion of the essay during the concert.
- Participating students must be part of a school group that is attending the “Our Arizona” concert on February 24th or 25th 2010.
- Essays will be judged on:
 - style, grammar, punctuation and composition
 - originality and enthusiasm
 - thoroughness and content

3rd & 4th Grades	5th & 6th Grades	7th & 8th Grades
		
<p>Topic: Arizona has some of the most beautiful and special places to see on earth. Why would someone want to visit Arizona? Be persuasive in your answer.</p> <p>ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT Anonymous entries will not be accepted. All entries become the property of The Phoenix Symphony. The Symphony is not responsible for lost or damaged entries.</p>	<p>Topic: What is your favorite Arizona native plant or animal? What should we as Arizonans do to make sure the plant or animal stays protected and continues to thrive?</p> <p>ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT Anonymous entries will not be accepted. All entries become the property of The Phoenix Symphony. The Symphony is not responsible for lost or damaged entries.</p>	<p>Topic: If you were the Governor of Arizona, what would you be the most proud of and what is one thing you would change? Explain how you would make the state better.</p> <p>ONE ENTRY PER STUDENT Anonymous entries will not be accepted. All entries become the property of The Phoenix Symphony. The Symphony is not responsible for lost or damaged entries.</p>

Please read carefully and contact the Education Office with any questions at (602) 495-1117, ext. 470



****** CONTEST DEADLINE ******

Deadline to submit entries: Friday, January 29th, 2010

**MAILED ENTRIES MUST BE POSTMARKED BY DEADLINE DATE.
ENTRIES HAND-DELIVERED TO OUR OFFICE MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 P.M.**

Entries must be sent to:
The Phoenix Symphony
c/o Education Contest
One North First Street, Suite 200
Phoenix, AZ 85004

For directions, please call (602) 495-1117

Calendar:

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| January 29th 2010 | Essay deadline. |
| February 12th, 2010 | Winners announced and incorporated into concert program |
| February 24th & 25th | Winners recognized at the concert. |
| February - May 2010 | Non-winning entries may be picked up from the symphony's education office |

ENTRY FORM

Attach a completed entry form to the back of each essay.
Duplication of the entry form is permitted.

2010 Our Arizona Essay Contest

Entry Form (please print clearly)

First and Last Name: _____

Teacher First and Last Name: _____ Grade: _____

Teacher Email: _____

School Name: _____ School Telephone: () _____ - _____

Title of Essay: _____

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