

## YOUNG PEOPLE'S CONCERTS

# MELODY CONTEST

Calling all young composers! Be a featured part of this season's Young People's Concerts by entering the #InsideTheOrchestra Melody Contest. Winning melodies will be featured in a brand-new composition to be performed by the CSO during the #InsideTheOrchestra concerts on January 19 & 30, 2017.

### HOW TO ENTER:

- **Compose your melody!** Class submissions are encouraged and will be given first consideration when selecting winning melodies. Compose your melody as a class, or nominate one student melody to represent the entire class.
- Notate your melody and submit to the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra by **Friday, September 30 2016**

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Or, Scan & Email To: [lkelly@cincinnati-symphony.org](mailto:lkelly@cincinnati-symphony.org)

- Winning selections will be announced in mid-November.

### WHERE DO I START?

Is there a particular inspiration for your melody? Is it about a person, place, or thing? How can the different musical qualities in bold below help convey your inspiration?

- What will the **tempo** be? Do you want a faster tempo (allegro), or a slower tempo (andante)?
- What **time signature** will you use? 2/4, 3/4, 4/4, or something else?
- What key will your melody be in? Will it be **major** or **minor**?
- What is the **style** or mood of your melody? Could it be smooth (legato), or separated (staccato)?
- What **rhythmic qualities** do you want to use? Longer notes, like whole-notes and half-notes, or shorter notes, like quarter-notes or eighth-notes?
- Choose your first note and decide where your melody goes from there? Will you use large or small steps (intervals) between notes? Or both?

You can take your melody anywhere from here. Just let your creativity lead you.

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**SUBMISSION DEADLINE: Friday, September 30, 2016**

**Class / Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**School:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Title:** \_\_\_\_\_

		

		

		

		