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QSO Announces Auditions

The Quincy Symphony Orchestra Association invites area musicians to participate in its 63rd Concert Season! The Quincy Symphony Orchestra and Chorus are comprised of community musicians from throughout the region.

The **Quincy Symphony Orchestra**, directed by Dr. Bruce Briney, rehearses on Tuesday evenings from 7:30-9:45 PM beginning in August. The orchestra will perform five full-orchestra programs throughout the season. Symphony Concert dates will be October 2, December 11, February 13, and April 9. In addition, the QSO will perform children's concerts on March 23.

Instrumental auditions will be held on Thursday evening, August 26th. Call the Symphony Office to set up an audition time. The orchestra has immediate openings for Principal Clarinet, Third Horn, and section strings. Applicants for the Principal Clarinet and Third Horn will be asked to perform a solo example of their choice, orchestral excerpts, and sight reading. Contact the office for information on the orchestral excerpts.

Additional players are needed for all string sections. Additional talented brass, woodwind, and percussion players are needed for works with larger instrumentation requirements and for the substitute list. Musicians who have not auditioned in the past are encouraged to be heard by Dr. Briney, and should prepare a short solo example of their choice that will display their musical strengths. For more information, or to set up an audition time, please call the Symphony Office at 217/222-2856 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Monday through Friday.

The Quincy Symphony Chorus is also looking for talented singers to join the ensemble. The chorus meets on Monday evenings from 7:00-9:15 PM beginning in September.

The chorus is a fun and talented group of community musicians from all walks of life. Persons interested in singing with the Symphony Chorus should contact Chorus Conductor Dr. Phyllis Robertson at 217/228-2866 to set up a brief audition. Those who have sung with the chorus in the past are not required to re-audition, and are encouraged to call the Symphony Office at 222-2856 for registration information. There is no membership fee to join. The Chorus will present a concert on November 13, and will join the Quincy Symphony Orchestra for the QSO Holiday Concert in December. They will present a Pops concert on March 5. More information on the Quincy Symphony Orchestra, Chorus, Youth Orchestra, and Youth Chorus may be found on the website, www.qsoa.org.