

Santa Fe PRO MUSICA

What is CHAMPS?

The Santa Fe Pro Musica CHAMPS! (apprentice artist chamber music program) is a hands-on music program created and administered by Santa Fe Pro Musica (SFPM) and is open to all area student musicians, high school age, mid-school, and elementary ages, public school, private school or home school. Based upon age and skill level, the participants are assigned to a chamber music group - primarily string trios and quartets, piano trios, and wind groups if the demand is great enough. Professional coaches are hired by SFPM to coach each group, and with the assistance of SFPM, select music, schedule rehearsals, and work with their chamber music groups toward the goal of performing in the Young Artists Recital to be held on Saturday May 9, 2009 (venue and time tbd).

Young musicians will learn that chamber music requires teamwork, and just like any sport - it can be fun! Their coach, a professional musician will listen, coach, and guide them in the rehearsal process and concert preparation. Unlike the orchestra experience, there is no conductor to follow; the students themselves are the leaders. With this program, the students are in charge of their own music-making!

The program costs \$150 per participant (scholarships, financial aid, family discounts available).

This fee covers:

- Buying music
- Renting rehearsal space
- Paying the coaches
- The Young Artists Recital: performance hall, piano rental and tuning

All rehearsals aim to build positive attitudes, trust, teamwork, cooperation, confidence, compassion, and a sense of humor - skills and values that will serve the participants well throughout their education and their lives.

We believe in the three Cs – cooperation, compassion and counting!

Participant requirements:

- Must be taking private music lessons
- Submit a music teacher recommendation (phone or email)
- Supply their own instrument and transportation
- Commit to the rehearsals as scheduled between the coach and the participants
- Respect their coach and fellow participants
- Perform in the Young Artists Recital to be held on Saturday May 9, 2009
- A fee of \$150 (check payable to Santa Fe Pro Musica) - scholarships, financial aid and family discounts available.
- Have fun!

Questions, concerns, and teacher recommendations can be directed to:

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