

Congratulations on Your Acceptance to the High School Honors Performance Series at Carnegie Hall!

Program Planning

We know you have many questions and would like to begin planning for your amazing Carnegie Hall experience. To that end, we've devoted an entire section of our website to helping accepted Finalists and their families as they prepare for an incredible New York City experience. Please bookmark the below page and check it regularly!

Finalist Update Page: www.honorsperformance.org/finalistupdates
Case-Sensitive Password: HPS2020!

Information Available on the Finalist Update Page

Program Planning:

- Guidelines for booking travel
- Series hotel and rooming options
- Broadway show options
- Chaperone information
- Dress code and performance attire guidelines
- Family Program information
- Travel insurance information (optional)

Music:

- Carnegie Hall ticket information
- Instrument travel & rental resources
- Conductor biographies
- Sheet music & rehearsal notes (when available)

Payments and Fundraising:

- Payment plan and cancellation schedules
- Online account access
- Fundraising tools and tips
- Media & press coverage information
- Series Scholarships (separate application required)

Resources:

- Tentative itinerary
- Academic Credit options
- Unaccompanied Minor travel information

Messages: Summary of all update emails (see below)

FAQs: Anything else you may need to know!

Series Updates

Nearly all program updates will come in the form of email communication. It is critical for you to add our email address, honors@honorsperformance.org, to your list of "approved senders" with your email client to avoid missing important updates from the Series. This is particularly important if you did not receive an email from us regarding your acceptance. If you change your email address, please be sure to let us know, as well.

We will send an email update to all Finalists any time we have new information to share. It's extremely important that you receive and carefully review each of our updates so you are fully prepared for your performance in New York. Any time we send an email update, we will additionally post a copy of the email on the **Messages** section of the Finalist Update page. *The Series cannot be responsible for missed email communications or updates, and it is the responsibility of the Finalist to respond to requests for information leading up to your Series experience on or before the communicated deadlines.*

Confirmation Needed

So we may continue to make plans for your Carnegie Hall experience, there is some additional information that we will need from you. Your place in the program is guaranteed pending receipt of this form. If you indicate you are unable to attend, we will offer your place to a First Runner-Up. **Please visit the web page below and complete the Confirmation Form as soon as possible and no later than November 8.** After this, we may not be able to accommodate special requests.

www.honorsperformance.org/finalists

Scholarships and Fundraising

Be sure to check out the "Payments and Fundraising" tab of the Finalist Update Page to access numerous funding tools and tips. In particular, past Finalists have cited the following resources as two of their most-used:

- **Series Scholarships:** Partial scholarships are available to assist Finalists with demonstrated financial need. Contact our team at +1-800-503-0807 to receive a scholarship quote and to have the scholarship application emailed to you.
- **Gift of Performance E-Cards:** Quickly and easily solicit online donations from friends and family. Donations go directly to your Series account! Learn more on the Finalist Update Page and at www.honorsperformance.org/e-cards.

Friends and Family – Join in the Fun!

Family members, friends, and other supporters are welcome to participate with their student performers by electing one of the Honors Family Programs. These programs have been designed to enable supporters to stay in New York with their Finalist and attend select program events that are otherwise closed to non-performers (a rehearsal, New York City events, touring with Finalists, Finalist Celebration, etc.). Since most Honors Performance Series rehearsals are closed, other activities and free time are included in the Family Programs to supplement your time.

Program Information

- Visit www.honorsperformance.org/high-school-family to review complete program inclusions, details, and to register.
- Note: Each family member wishing to register for a Family Program (excluding the Finalist) must register separately. *Finalists should not register for the Family Program. They have been automatically registered for the Finalist program through the application and selection process.*

Family Program Itineraries

The Family Program itineraries provide an opportunity to experience the best of the sights and the performance arts in New York City. Please note that all itineraries are tentative and subject to change. Family Programs are offered only as full programs and cannot be sold as individual components. **Please note: Transportation to/from New York and meals are not included in the program.**

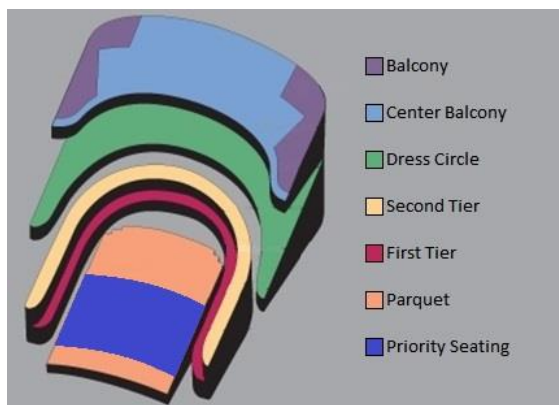


Full Access Family Program Thursday, January 30 – Monday, February 3, 2020	
Thursday	Afternoon/evening arrival into New York City Airport greeting and transfer to the hotel (during specified times at JFK Airport) Check into hotel and program
Friday	Guided sightseeing of Lower Manhattan including the 9/11 Memorial and Museum Free time on own to explore New York Evening Broadway Show with Finalists
Saturday	Carnegie Hall or Lincoln Center backstage tour (TBD) Family Program participants attend a rehearsal Afternoon free time to explore New York Top of the Rock or Finalist Celebration with Finalists (schedule varies based on your Finalist's ensemble)
Sunday	Metropolitan Museum of Art & American Museum of Natural History (tickets included, tour on own) Honors Performance at Carnegie Hall (priority seating included for each Family Program participant) Top of the Rock or Finalist Celebration with Finalists (schedule varies based on your Finalist's ensemble)
Monday	Farewell and return transfer to airport (during specified times to JFK Airport)

Weekend Family Program Saturday, February 1 – Monday, February 3, 2020	
Saturday	Mid-morning arrival in New York City Participants make their own way to the Series hotel for program check-in Family Program participants attend a rehearsal Afternoon free time to explore New York Top of the Rock or Finalist Celebration with Finalists (schedule varies based on your Finalist's ensemble)
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Program Costs and Available Payment Plans

The program cost for each family member participating in the **Full Access Family Program** is \$1,725. The program cost for each family member participating in the **Weekend Family Program** is \$975. Participants have the option to satisfy this full expense at once or may follow an optional payment plan; see www.honorsperformance.org/high-school-family to review the payment plan and the cancellation deadlines and penalties.



Carnegie Hall Performance Tickets

One priority ticket to the Honors Performance is included with each Family Program registration. Seating at Carnegie Hall is assigned and a special priority section is reserved for Family Program participants (see left). Additional (non-priority) tickets can be purchased through the Carnegie Hall Box Office (www.carnegiehall.org/boxoffice) beginning approximately 60 days prior to the performance. We are unable to accommodate requests for individually purchased tickets to be seated in the priority section.

Family Program registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Registrations received after November 8, 2019, will be accepted as space is available.