

Dear young musicians from the Western Balkans, European Union and abroad.

<u>The Western Balkans Youth Orchestra</u> has launched its new musicians' selection process for the **Summer 2024** orchestra project.

By clicking on www.wbyo-accelerando.org on How to Apply, you will find more information about the entire selection process.

Shortly noted:

The musicians' selection process goes through an online application by submitting the <u>application</u> form on Thursday, February 29, 2024, at the latest.

Please include in the application form also a **YouTube/Vimeo** link (*unlisted* - no private or public setting) with a video of yourself (recorded in **ONE TAKE**), which should include

- a) One piece of own choice in a duration of maximum 5 minutes (with or without piano)
- b) The selected WBYO 2024 Orchestral extracts by respective instruments.

We are seeking the finest musicians (aged 16 to 27) of the Western Balkans region and abroad for the following orchestra projects:

Summer 2024 - Western Balkans go Pop & Rock

Full symphonic orchestra (65 musicians) residencies in Cetinje (Montenegro) and Bayreuth (Germany), **July 18 to August 24, 2024**

Orchestra concerts in Kotor, Sarajevo, Novi Sad, Prishtina, North Macedonia, and also in Bayreuth, Berlin, Essen (Germany).

Orchestra works by a. o. Giuseppe Verdi (Overture to *La forza del destino*), Modest Mussorgsky (Picture at an Exhibition, Orchestra version by <u>Leo Funtek</u>, **or** <u>Sergei Petrovich Gorchakov</u>), **Heitor Villa-Lobos** (<u>O papagaio do moleque</u>), **Martin Palmeri** (Tango mass) & up to ten for full symphonic orchestra new arranged famous Pop & Rock songs of the WB region.

Conditions for the WBYO musicians

- Cover travel costs to the first rehearsal location or back home after the last concert.
- Coverage of accommodation costs in the hotel, double room, including breakfast.
- Distribution of daily expenses for the entire project period. The amount depends on the level of study and position.
- Cover tuition fees as part of the musical support from outstanding orchestral and chamber music teachers as part of the orchestra residencies.

Do not he sitate to contact us at management@wbyo.org if you need more information about the WBYO's upcoming projects.

We are very much looking forward to your applications!

The WBYO ManagingTeam