



YOUTH ORCHESTRA

by the Numbers

Founded by Conductor Laureate Leonard Slatkin, the St. Louis Symphony Youth Orchestra has been the region's premier training ensemble for accomplished young musicians, ages 12-22, for more than 55 years. Students take on the challenge of advanced orchestral repertoire, receive mentorship from SLSO musicians, and rehearse and perform on stage.



Samuel Hollister, The Fred M. Saigh
Youth Orchestra Music Director

100+ young musicians

50+ schools with participating students

2,500+ alumni

3 current SLSO musicians are YO alumni

3 concerts annually

20% of YO musicians receive scholarship support—no students are turned away

6 YO musicians mentor Gateway Music Outreach (GMO) students through Peer to Peer, providing support and fellowship

“Being in the YO was such a wonderful music experience. I was pushed to a new level of excellence, and I was challenged in a way I hadn’t been before. ...I would not be the person and musician I am today if it were not for my experience in the YO.”

— Molly B.

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