



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 learn advanced orchestral repertoire, receive mentorship from SLSO musicians, and rehearse and perform on stage.



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

110+ young musicians

30+ schools represented

2,500+ alumni

3 current SLSO musicians are YO alumni

3 concerts annually

20% of YO musicians receive scholarship support—no students that successfully audition into the YO are turned away due to financial concerns

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

“The YO [is] such a welcoming space and community for everyone. My transition to St. Louis and WashU felt a bit daunting at times, but the YO became like a family to me on both a musician-to-musician level and an organizational level.”

— Caroline L.

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