

The Young Soloists Ohio program began in 2003 to showcase outstanding talent in vocal and/or instrumental music by artists with disabilities in inclusive settings. Annually, VSA Ohio selects three (3) musicians or ensembles with disabilities under the age of 25, as the **Young Soloists** of the year.

Beginning September 1, 2011 artists are invited to submit compositions of their performative work that is presented to a panel of adjudicators. The panel reviews the submitted recordings and selects winners using criteria set forth by the VSA International office. Applicants will be evaluated based on technique, tone, intonation, rhythm, interpretation, and artistry.

This is a state-level program of the International Young Soloist contest sponsored by VSA in Washington, DC. VSA Ohio will forward all applicants from Ohio to the VSA offices in DC. For more information about the international competition visit: <http://www.vsarts.org/x22.xml>.

Ohio's Young Soloist's are spotlighted in the eVoice newsletter and www.vsao.org, awarded cash prizes, and will be connected with at least one opportunity to perform for a live audience in 2012.

Applicants must be Ohio residents under 25 years old with a disability, which is defined as a physical or mental impairment that substantially limits one or more life activities of an individual.

For questions regarding the application or to learn more about the program contact:

614-241-5325 or info@vsao.org

VSA Ohio is an affiliate of the international network of VSA, an affiliate of The John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The Young Soloists program is sponsored by VSA, the Ohio Arts Council, and the generosity of organizations and individuals throughout Ohio.

Name _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Disability _____

Artist Representative Name & Address (if applicable)

Mailings should be addressed to:

Artist Representative Artist, c/o representative

Entry Type:

Vocalist Instrument (type _____)

	Composition #1	Composition #2	Composition #3
Title			
Credits			
Length			

Release:

By signing this entry form, I agree to abide by the eligibility requirements and to the conditions of the adjudication. I understand all application materials become property of VSA Ohio and may be used for marketing purposes.

Artist Signature

Parent Signature (if under 18)

Entries must include:

- Completed Entry Form
- CD with 3 performed recordings
- JPG image of the artist/s – on CD or emailed to info@vsao.org
- Artist statement or biography (300 words max)

Mail entries to: VSA Ohio, 77 S. High Street, 2nd Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-6108

Entry Deadline: Friday, December 2, 2011 - 5:00 pm