

18th Annual Young Artist Scholarship Competition (2025-2026)

The Woodbridge Flute Choir is pleased to announce its 2025-2026 Young Artist Competition, open to flutists ages 14-18 as of **January 15, 2026**.

Required repertoire: one movement of a flute concerto arranged for flute solo or piccolo solo and flute choir. The piece must be selected from the repertoire list that appears on the competition website unless the flute choir arrangement has been approved in writing by Debbie Gilbert, artistic director, before the entry deadline (January 3, 2026). Please contact Debbie Gilbert at jagilbert99@gmail.com for prior approval of a piece not on the suggested repertoire list.

Entries must be received no later than 11:59 pm on January 3, 2026.

To enter, complete the online application from the Scholarship page at www.Woodbridgeflutechoir.org and submit the \$30.00 non-refundable audition fee via PayPal using the Donate button. When payment has been received, click on this link https://www.dropbox.com/request/vtcdcKsSKcon1bZIn1qD to upload the application, photo release, Paypal receipt, and a high-quality mp3 formatted recording consisting of the required repertoire played by the flutist with piano accompaniment. Please do not wait until the last minute to upload your application.

Please identify the recording with the name of the flutist, school, and title of piece. **DO NOT upload video recordings**.

Audition process:

- 1. The recorded MP3s will be evaluated and the Semi-finalists will be chosen and notified by **January** 17, 2026.
- Semi-finalists will perform their piece, with accompanist, before a panel of judges on January 31, 2026 at 10:00AM at Greenwich Presbyterian Church, 15400 Greenwich Church Way, Nokesville, VA 20181. Each semi-finalist must provide his/her own accompanist plus 3 copies of the piece they are performing. One winner will be chosen.
- 3. The winner will rehearse his/her repertoire with the Woodbridge Flute Choir and will perform as a featured performer in Woodbridge Flute Choir's **Sunday, March 15, 2026 3:00 PM** concert at Adat Reyim Congregation, 6500 Westbury Oaks Ct., Springfield VA 22152.

The Grand Prize Winner will receive a \$1,000 scholarship prize.

For additional information, contact Lisa Sheldone, competition coordinator, at Lisa. Sheldone@verizon.net.