Welcome To NYSMF!

The start of the 2015 New York Summer Music Festival season is almost upon us! Many important items are covered here, so please share this letter with your parents.

Arrival Dates and Times

Session I – Sunday July 5, 2015 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM Fine Arts Room 201 Session II – Sunday July 19, 2015 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM Fine Arts Room 201

TUITION*

All balances are due in full by June 1, 2015. Personal checks will not be accepted after this date. All checks should be made payable to the New York Summer Music Festival. Payment after June 1, 2015 must be paid by money order, certified check or cash.

*All fees also may be paid by credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, American Express) for no additional fee..

SUNDAY MORNING:

9:30 AM TO 1:00 PM

PRE-PAID REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

- All registration is done in Fine Arts Building Room 201.
- You may park in the large lot in front. Follow the signs on campus.
- YOU <u>MUST</u> REGISTER BEFORE GOING TO YOUR DORM ROOM.
- You will not be allowed to register or stay on campus until we have received your completed health forms.

At registration, students will:

- 1. Check-In
- 2. Receive dorm assignments and meal/access card
- 3. Sign up for seating placement auditions
- 4. Anyone wishing to deposit spending money in Festival Bank report to Festival Bank table (optional)
- 5. Receive room assignment and keys

NOTE: There is a \$150.00 key & security deposit for the key and any damage sustained to students' individual dorm rooms, payable by check only, and is refundable upon checkout.

Parents and students will be met by the Counselors and CIT's to guide students to their assigned room

and to help with unloading.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON:

1:00 PM - 4:30 PM - Seating Placement Auditions at the Fine Arts Building. Students may finish unpacking and decorating their dorm

5:00 PM – 7:00 PM –Dinner with your counselor and floor Roommates

SUNDAY EVENING:

7:30 PM TO 8:30 PM - Student convocation in Goodrich Theater

8:30 PM to 11:00 PM - Finish settling and individual floor meetings.

11:00 PM - Lights Out!

MONDAY MORNING:

7:30 AM TO 8:30 AM - Breakfast with your assigned floor at Morris Dining Hall. 8:30 AM TO 10:00 AM -

- **A)** Class scheduling in Goodrich Theater according to placement in performance group, with
- **B**) Private lesson scheduling
- C) Practice time

NOTE: Classes and rehearsals missed on Monday morning will take place the following Saturday morning. The remainder of the session will continue as scheduled Monday through Friday.

10:10 AM: Start of normal daily schedule

FESTIVAL BANK

Spending money is needed for books, additional private lessons, incidentals such as laundry and snacks. In addition, some students visit the College Bookstore and purchase T-shirts, sweatshirts, and other personal items. Students are encouraged to deposit money in the Festival Bank rather than keep

large amounts of cash in their rooms. A sum of \$50.00 to \$75.00 for each two-week session should be sufficient. Activities for which money may be needed (movie night, pizza night, etc.) are announced ahead of time, giving students ample time to make withdrawals. All banking transactions are done in the Festival Bank Office, which is located in Hays Hall Room #122. Banking hours will be between 12:30 to 1:30 PM weekdays only.

CAMPUS BUILDINGS

See the campus map below for campus building locations, We will use Sherman Hall for male housing, Ford Hall for female housing and Morris Hall for dining. There will also be extra rooms for practice in Hays Hall, and the Nurse's station is located in Hays Hall Room #127.

LOST KEYS

Replacement keys cost the Festival \$150.00. This fee will be passed along to the students whose keys are lost.

MAILING PACKAGES

Send your packages at least one week in advance. There will not be any Sunday deliveries. Packages received in advance will be in the appropriate residence hall when you arrive. Address packages to:

Student's Name New York Summer Music Festival (NYSMF) SUNY Oneonta Sherman Hall (for male students) Ford Hall (for female students) Oneonta, NY 13820

MAIL

Mail is delivered daily M-F. There is no weekend delivery. Counselors will distribute mail nightly at floor time. Mail should be addressed as indicated in the previous section. Large packages will need to be picked up in the Festival Office.

PHONE

The Festival Office phone number is (855) 696–9763. We regret that the Festival Office cannot take personal messages for students.

INTERNET SERVICE

You may purchase an internet access account from NYSMF for \$20.00, which will allow you to

connect ONE DEVICE to the SUNY Oneonta wireless network, "Red Dragon WiFi" from anywhere on campus. The SUNY wireless network system does NOT allow you to share the account.

HEALTH PROGRAM

The health center is located in Hays Hall. We are staffed by a registered nurse and care is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In case of illness or accident, students are required to report to their counselors, who will then get in touch with the Health Center.

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Health forms must be received, reviewed, and approved byour health staff at least two weeks prior to registration. A student arriving with health form in hand will be sent to the nurse for clearance before registration. To avoid delay, please mail your form in ahead of time or fax it to us at 1(866) 381-2106.

All medications, including any over-the-counter medications, must be labeled and in original containers. All medications will be kept and dispensed at the Health Center.

INSURANCE

Parents are advised to provide health insurance for their children attending the Festival. If students need to see a physician or go to Fox Hospital, charges will be made by the doctor and billed directly to the parents.

MOTELS AND RESTAURANTS

Many fine motels and restaurants are located in and near Oneonta. Parents should make their own reservations. Please refer to our website home page at www.nysmf.org for locations and names of hotels. We do not endorse any particular establishment. Reservations should be made well in advance due to the high volume of tourists in the summer.

PRIVATE LESSONS

We are pleased to have specialists teaching all instruments, as well as voice. The cost for private lessons is \$40.00 for 30 minutes and \$75.00 for one hour. Private lessons with Guest Artists will be available for additional fee depending on availability. Additional private lessons with faculty may be added on at the Festival Office on Monday morning.

INSTRUMENTS

Be sure to have the student's name and address on the instrument. Make a record of the serial number, name and description of your instrument. <u>Insure it</u>, <u>please</u>. If desired, a room will be provided for storage between rehearsals. Practicing may be done in individual dorm rooms or in any designated practice room. <u>Instruments must be in playable condition</u>. If a student's instrument is broken or damaged, The Festival will not be responsible for repair or replacement.

Students should bring all folding music stands, mutes, valve oil, reeds, and pads needed, as well as copies of any chamber music, duets, or solos that they own and may wish to play. String players should be sure that their bows are in good condition. If necessary, bows should be rehaired before coming to the Festival. Also, bring an extra bow (if available) and an extra set of strings.

INSTRUMENT RENTAL

We will be happy to accommodate requests for instrument rentals if **PRIOR** arrangements are made. Most percussion equipment will be provided free of charge to those students who will use it as their primary instrument. A fee of \$50.00-\$100.00 per week is charged for rental of most instruments.

WHAT TO BRING

Students should bring the following: a three-ring binder, towels, pillows, sheets for single extra-long beds, pillow cases, two blankets, sweaters, raincoat, bathing suit, and other personal items. A fan (the residence halls are not air-conditioned), a music stand (if applicable), watch, and alarm clock are also a good idea. A complete listing of items that might be applicable is located on the homepage of our website at www.nysmf.org.

Students are permitted to have a small T.V., video game units, small refrigerator, radio/compact disc player in their rooms. In addition, any decorative

items that would make a functional institutional dorm room look more personalized (e.g., posters, a small rug, etc.).

DRESS CODE

Please bring casual and dress wear for attending evening activities including concerts and weekend events. Shorts may be worn during the day for classes and rehearsals. If you plan to be here for the last two weeks, it is recommended that you bring formal wear (Men, bring along your tuxedo or your best suit! Ladies, dig out your prom gown or a fancy dress!) for the final concert and final dance.

CONCERT DRESS CODE

<u>For Men</u>: White dress shirt, tie, jacket (optional), dark dress pants and dark dress shoes.

<u>For Women</u>: Solid black dress (no thin straps) OR white or black blouse (no thin strap tops), black skirt at least mid-calf length or black loose and flowing dress pants. Black dress shoes or dress sandals - no "flip-flops" allowed.

SOLO PERFORMERS CONCERT DRESS

Same as group performers or any other suitable concert wear.

AUDITIONS / PLACEMENT AUDITIONS

Auditions will be held for placement in performing organizations. Students should have something prepared for the placement audition, which will be held on Sunday afternoon. Auditions may also include scales and sight-reading.

ADDITIONAL NOTES

- All students who plan to participate in a solo recital must sign up for private lessons.
- Parents and guests are invited to attend rehearsals, concerts, and visit the campus at any time.

If you have any questions about NYSMF policies or procedures, please visit our website at http://www.nysmf.org and read through the FAQ section. Many, if not all, questions are answered there. You may also ask any member of the NYSMF counseling staff, or email us at info@nysmf.org.

Congratulations on your acceptance to NYSMF, and we look forward to a challenging, exciting, and fun summer of music with you!

State University College at Oneonta (SUCO) Campus Map - NYSMF Building 2015

