



# VICTORIA SYMPHONY

## The Conductor's Spellbook

Essay Contest – 2022

### Essay Prompts:

#### 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade

Describe what you and Tony Stradivarius learned about how sounds are made. Include responses on how sounds are made in different instrument families.

Maximum 1 page.

TEKS 110.5.7, 11, 12

#### 4<sup>th</sup> Grade

Explain the role of the conductor. Write a persuasive essay detailing why the conductor's job is important to the orchestra.

Maximum 1 page.

TEKS 110.6.7, 11, 12

#### 5<sup>th</sup> Grade

Compare and contrast examples of two different musical moods. Comment on how the musical moods are created by the composer, and what feelings you associate with them.

Maximum 1 page.

TEKS 110.7.7, 11, 12

# Contest Guidelines

- **ALL ENTRIES MUST BE PRINTED BY HAND, LEGIBLY.** (Illegible entries will not be considered.)
- **Student Name, Grade, School, and Teacher's Name must be in the top right-hand corner.**
- Entry must reflect the theme for the student's grade level.
- Correct spelling is highly desirable.
- Entries must be received in person or by mail by **4:00 pm on Wednesday, March 20, 2022** at the Victoria Symphony office, **405 East Loma Vista, Victoria, TX 77901**. All entries will be reviewed by the Victoria Symphony Society.

## Prizes

- \$50 Target Gift Card
- 4 Downtown Rhythm T-Shirts
- Photo with VSO Music Director, Darryl One
- 4 Tickets to the April 30, 2022 Victoria Symphony Concert Series Performance
- Winning Essay will be displayed at the VISD Fine Arts Center on April 30, 2022

Prizes will be awarded at the **Downtown Rhythms Concert** on April 28, 2022.  
Winners and schools will be notified prior to the concert.  
All entries become property of the Victoria Symphony Society.

For more information, please contact [education@victoriasymphony.com](mailto:education@victoriasymphony.com)

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