

YOUTH SING PRAISE

HOW TO APPLY

WHAT? Youth Sing Praise is a summer program for high school students who exhibit vocal and theatrical talent. YSP is a mix of spiritual growth, music, theatre and recreational activities. Led by professionals, its highlight is the performance of a faith-based musical before thousands on the stage of the outdoor amphitheatre at the beautiful National Shrine of Our Lady of the Snows.

WHO? Youth Sing Praise is for 2009-2010 high school students active in their school, church or community music/theatre programs who are open to a Christian community experience.

COST?* Youth Sing Praise has put everything together for you. Meals, lodging and recreational activities as well as music, dance, acting lessons and direction are included along with daily small group sessions with a youth minister. Cost is \$450 for the first child from a family; \$300 for the second child from the same family, and \$150 for each child after that. Transportation costs to the program are not included. Many churches, community groups and schools offer scholarships. In addition, scholarships are available through the Missionary Oblates.

For scholarship information/applications, email: deisenbath@oblatesusa.org

**Participant fee covers housing and meals. The balance of the cost of Youth Sing Praise is sponsored by the Missionary Oblates of Mary Immaculate. If you would like to make a donation in support of this program, email youthministry@snows.org*

Complete the following checklist, fill out the application and mail to: **YSP, 442 S. DE MAZENOD DR., BELLEVILLE, IL 62223-1023**
Application and supporting materials **MUST BE** postmarked by February 16, 2010 to be considered.

- Please **complete the application form in full**. Partial applications will not be considered.
- Include a **current portrait-style, wallet-sized** photo of yourself. Write your full name and age on the back.
- Record yourself on DVD or VHS (**only full-sized tapes accepted**). Include the following - in order:
 - Introduce yourself.
 - Sing "Happy Birthday to You" a cappella.
 - Basses & Altos start on "C"
 - Tenors & Sopranos start on "E flat" or higher
 - Sing a Broadway or liturgical song, accompanied by guitar or keyboard or tape thereof. No a cappella performances will be considered.
 - Demonstrate your vocal range. (*lowest note to highest note - no scales, please*)
 - Demonstrate other talents. (*dancing, juggling, mime, etc.*)
 - Have fun and be yourself!
- Include two letters of recommendation, one each from A & B, **using forms found at snowsyouthministry.org/ysp.htm**. Be sure to include name, address, phone and position for each recommendation:
 - A) Your music coordinator, voice teacher, choir director or someone who has witnessed your musical development.
 - B) Your youth minister, campus minister, priest or someone who has witnessed your spiritual development.
- Write an **original** short letter (*include your name/age*) describing:
 - Yourself
 - Your relationship with God and your peers
 - How you found out about Youth Sing Praise
 - Why you wish to attend YSP 2010.



APPLICATION FORM

Please fill this form out clearly and completely to ensure that we will be able to contact you. **INCOMPLETE FORMS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED!** Must be postmarked by February 16, 2010 to be considered.

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY AND DISTINGUISH BETWEEN NUMBERS AND LETTERS (i.e. Ø or O, 1 or I)

Personal Information

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

E-MAIL _____

BIRTH DATE _____

Education/Religion

YEAR OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION _____

SCHOOL _____

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATION _____

PARISH/CHURCH _____

DIOCESE _____

Talent History

THIS IS MY: __ 1st __ 2nd __ 3rd __ 4th TIME AT YSP.

HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT YSP?

CHECK WHICH YOU FEEL MOST ACCURATELY DESCRIBES YOU:

__ SOPRANO __ ALTO __ TENOR __ BASS

MY MUSICAL/DANCE EXPERIENCE & TALENTS INCLUDE

INCLUDE: DANCE/VOICE LESSONS, DANCE/VOCAL SOLOS, INSTRUMENTS YOU PLAY, PROFESSIONAL OR AMATEUR PERFORMANCES, COMPOSING, CHOREOGRAPHY, ABILITY TO SIGHT READ VOCALLY, ETC. IF YOU NEED MORE SPACE, FEEL FREE TO ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET

BROADWAY/LITURGICAL SONG PERFORMED ON VIDEO

PARENT/GUARDIAN NAME

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE *(REQUIRED)*

HAVE YOU INCLUDED ALL OF YOUR SUPPORTING MATERIALS LISTED ON THE BACK OF THIS APPLICATION?: __ YES

- DO NOT SEND MONEY WITH THIS APPLICATION
- APPLICATION **MUST** BE ACCOMPANIED BY **ALL** SUPPORTING MATERIALS
- INCOMPLETE/LATE APPLICATIONS **WILL NOT** BE CONSIDERED
- AUDITION TAPES WILL NOT BE RETURNED
- **NOTIFICATION OF APPLICATION STATUS WILL BE MAILED BY APRIL 16, 2010**