

GTCYS Concert Orchestra & Philharmonic Retreat Info Saturday, September 24, 2011

Concert Orchestra and Philharmonic have their fall day retreat at YMCA Camp St. Croix, located on the St. Croix River in Hudson, Wisconsin just east of the Wisconsin/Minnesota border. Students rehearse, participate in team-building activities, and get to know their conductors and orchestra peers.

SCHEDULE	8:30am	Parents drop off students at bus departure site (Mayflower Church, Mpls.)* Check-in with staff prior to boarding
	9:00am	Students depart Mayflower Church by bus
	9:45am	Buses arrive at Camp St. Croix
	10:00am	Rehearsals
	12:30pm	Lunch
	1:30pm	Team-building activities
	3:45pm	Rehearsals and Sectionals
	5:15pm	Dinner
	6:15pm	Rehearsals and Sectionals
	7:45pm	Bonfire
	8:30pm	Students depart Camp St. Croix by bus
	9:15pm	Parents pick up students at Mayflower Church

*GTCYS provides bus transportation to and from Camp St. Croix. Riding the bus is not mandatory, but **anyone NOT riding the bus to and/or from the retreat must add their name to the "No Bus List" at rehearsals on September 12 and 13 or email Miranda@gtcys.org with "No Concert & Philharmonic Retreat Bus" in the subject line by September 13. Students not taking the bus must arrive at the camp by 9:45am and be picked up at 8:30pm.** Students who arrive late and miss the bus must find alternate transportation to Camp St. Croix. Absences due to missing the bus will not be excused.

WHAT TO BRING	Instrument and accessories Music stand and music folder Comfortable clothing for outdoor activities Sturdy tennis shoes (no sandals) Necessary medications with detailed directions Rain gear and bug repellent Flash light Water bottle
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WHAT NOT TO BRING Personal valuables, money, games and iPods

REMINDER: attendance is required and the retreat fee is non-refundable.

A NOTE ABOUT HEALTH: We encourage every family to take responsibility for his/her child's health and to follow basic personal hygiene routines to minimize the spread of germs and viruses. This includes frequent hand-washing and proper respiratory etiquette (such as coughing or sneezing into your elbow instead of your hands). Keep your child home if he/she is running a fever of 100+ or has had a fever within the last 24 hours. Thank you!

EMERGENCY PHONE: Camp St. Croix 612.465.0560 or 715.386.4380

DRIVING DIRECTIONS

To Mayflower Church (bus drop-off and pick-up site - GTCYS' audition site)

106 East Diamond Lake Rd, Minneapolis, MN 55419

The church is centrally located at the intersection of I-35W and Diamond Lake Road in south Minneapolis.

I-35W Southbound: Take I-35W south to Diamond Lake Rd Exit. Stay straight onto Stevens Ave. Turn right (west) onto Diamond Lake Rd. Church is on the right.

I-35W northbound: Take I-35W north to Diamond Lake Rd Exit. Turn left (west) onto Diamond Lake Rd. Cross the bridge over I-35W. Church is on the right.

To Camp St. Croix

532 County Road F, Hudson, WI 54016

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From the West: Travel east on I-94 from St. Paul. After crossing the St. Croix River, take Exit 2 (County F and Carmichael Road). Turn right (south) on Carmichael Road and follow for 1.5 miles. Camp St. Croix is on the right side shortly after Coulee Road. (Look for the brown and white St. Croix Environmental Center sign.)

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