

YOUNG ARTISTS COMPETITION

Bethany United Methodist Church

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The George Nelson Memorial Concert Series has initiated a competition for music students of orchestral instruments, band instruments, and piano, ages 10 to 19. In addition, the *Philadelphia International Music Festival*, which features faculty members from the Philadelphia Orchestra, has partnered with GNMC to also provide incentives for all GNMC applicants who wish to attend their 2015 summer program. For details see www.pimf.org and contact:

Dr. Alice Lindsay, Director of Outreach and Community Partnerships at:
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Preliminary auditions will be held Saturday, March 21, 2015 at Bethany United Methodist Church (address above). The auditions are open to the public.

Applications must be completed and postmarked by February 20, 2015, and include a \$20.00 application fee payable to BUMC-GNMC. Mail to: Bethany United Methodist Church at the address above. Please put Attention GNMC on the envelope in the lower left hand corner. The fee will be returned to applicants who are not accepted to the competition.

Repertoire must include one work by Bach or other baroque composer, and a contrasting piece from the classical, romantic, or contemporary period.

Music must be performed from memory. Unless a work is written originally without an accompaniment, repertoire requiring an accompaniment must be performed with an accompanist. An accompanist will be provided, for a fee, if you cannot provide your own.

Finalists will be awarded a place on the 2015-16 George Nelson Memorial Concert Series and will also receive cash awards totaling \$1500 - \$2000. A CD of the March 21st audition will be given to all contestants.