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Chippewa Valley Youth Symphony to hold Concerto Competition January 28, 2012

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EAU CLAIRE—The Chippewa Valley Youth Symphony will hold its Concerto Competition finals on January 28, 2012 at 1 p.m. at the Haas Fine Arts Center of the University of Wisconsin-Eau Claire. The event will be free and open to the public.

Six finalists, chosen prior to the competition finals, will perform and the top three will be awarded cash prizes. Additionally, the first-place winner will give a special performance at the CVYS Finale Concert on May 20, 2012. This year's top six finalists are:

- Nathalie Burmeister of Chippewa Falls, Violin
- Angie Coyle of Eau Claire, Alto Saxophone
- Diane Hu of Eau Claire, Flute
- Harleen Singh of Eau Claire, Oboe
- Jordan Stokka of Eau Claire, Alto Saxophone
- Levi Wehrman of Hudson, Violin

Student musicians from the youth symphony qualified for the finals based on a music recording they submitted in December. During the preliminary round of competition, a three judge panel selected the top six finalists. On January 28, the day of the event, those finalists will perform for the general public and a panel of judges. The first-place winner will be determined at the event.

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The youth symphony is a full string and wind orchestra comprised of 7th-12th grade musicians who play at an advanced level. The orchestra plays under the direction of Dr. Peter Haberman. Students are provided the rewarding and challenging experience of playing alongside other dedicated and serious musicians. This spring, CVYS will embark on a bus tour to provide rural outreach and perform a finale concert to close the 2011-2012 season.

The Chippewa Valley Youth Symphony is sponsored in part by the Chippewa Valley Vein Center, Clear Channel Radio, the Leader Telegram, the Masonic Temple, and Wisconsin Public Radio. For more information, please visit our website at www.cvyouthsymphony.org. The youth symphony office is located in the Eau Claire Regional Arts Center. Office staff can be reached through email at info@cvyouthsymphony.org or by calling 715-955-4085.

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