"Music Thrills the Heart and Soothes the Soul"

Young Musical Geniuses of Birmingham

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2020 VIRTUAL CONCERT NOTES

Dear Parents of Young Musical Geniuses:

Bravo to our students on their accomplishments this year! Once again, this year's recital represents another year of continued growth through study, practice and performance!

Time is approaching for the 2020 Major Concert Performance of our Young Musical Geniuses, to be held via a Virtual Platform on Saturday, July 18th, 2020, at 6:00 p.m. Students will be filmed individually by appointment on Monday, July 13th and Tuesday July 14th, at Alabama Piano Gallery, 1425 Montgomery Highway, Vestavia, AL 35216. At no time will there be more than five (5) persons in the auditorium including your child. Students and parents are asked to arrive ahead of time so that the student is available to enter the Gallery and be in the auditorium at the appointed time. Parents, please make sure your child has had a bathroom break and/or water break before entering the auditorium. There will be no time for anything other than playing the recital piece(s).

Please cooperate by securing for each student a minimum of 12 patrons (patron list) at \$15 each (\$180 minimum total) and ad copy, if any, by July 1st. Please type or legibly print the patron list in alphabetical order along with any optional ad copy. E-mail the alphabetized list to pbillups@youngmusicalgeniuses.org. The \$180 patronage can be sent via Cash App to \$YMG2030 or mailed to Young Musical Geniuses at 404 First Street South, Birmingham, AL 35205-3008 July 1st. Your cooperation in meeting this deadline is crucial to the success of our YMG Concert this year.

Each patron will be listed on the program under your child's name. Personal ads are optional and do not replace the recital fee via patrons. Patrons should make their checks payable to you, the parent. The total amount per student must be paid in cash, money order, cashier's check, or a single check from the parents to Young Musical Geniuses. Please do not have patrons make personal checks out to P. Bowman Billups or to Young Musical Geniuses. The cost for personal ads is \$150.00, full page; \$75.00, half page; and \$50.00, quarter page. Remember, personal ads are welcomed but are strictly optional.

INDIVIDUAL FILMING APPOINTMENT - Monday, July 13th and Tuesday, July 14th:

Bring a hand towel or gloves, both to the rehearsal and the recital, to help with cold hands and/or perspiration. Bring also a light jacket or sweater in case the building is cold.

CONCERT ATTIRE:

- Young ladies are asked to wear formal dresses, floor length. Tea length, however, is acceptable for the younger students 6 and under. Please trim nails appropriately to avoid distracting clicking sounds on the keys. Do not wear wrist bangles or any other jewelry that would be distracting when playing. Comfortable shoes should be worn with a heel that the student is accustomed to wearing.
- Young men will wear formal attire, tails. Mr. Burch Formal Wear, at the downtown location, 2420 First Avenue 1st Street North, will provide formal wear for the young men at a reduced cost of \$40.00. Young men should be fitted by Wednesday, June 24th. Garments can be picked up on Monday, July 13th and should be returned by 6:00 p.m. on Monday, July 20th

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IMPORTANT VIRTUAL CONCERT NOTES:

New this year, a digital option for inviting your guests and soliciting patrons is available to you. You can use this option to send out invitations and guests can register to attend and/or donate as patrons. If you use this option, your guests will automatically receive the link to attend the YMG Virtual Concert. However, keep in mind that the required minimum \$180 per student and that the list of patrons to be printed on the program are both due by **July 1st**. We will have a **training meeting on how to use this option on Monday, June 22nd at 6:30 p.m**. To attend the training meeting. enter the YMG Classroom through the YMG Website at 6:30 the same way your child enters their music class. Should you not plan to use the option, it is not necessary to join the meeting.

YOUNG MUSICAL GENIUSES,
GO FOR THE GOLD!!!