

DACAMERA Young Artist Program

General Information

Candidates for the DACAMERA Young Artist Program are Houston-based emerging professionals who:

- are interested in performing solo, chamber, and jazz repertoire throughout the Houston community
- are interested in working with teachers in public schools to develop lessons that utilize music to enrich the study of core-foundation subjects
- have completed at least a bachelor's degree in music
- are 30 years old or under
- are able to commit to in-person and virtual visits in Houston schools, to perform in concerts throughout the Houston community, and to participate in career development workshops*

*The Young Artist schedule is designed to allow participants the flexibility to perform as freelancers, maintain a private teaching studio, and pursue auditions for university teaching jobs and orchestral positions.

Young Artist Program Opportunities

Educational Opportunities

Participation in DACAMERA Music Encounters

- Classroom or virtual visits in collaboration with core-foundation teachers in Houston schools
- Engage with neurodiverse students at The HUB Houston and in TREK (Transition Ready with Essential Knowledge) programs in Houston ISD schools

Performance Opportunities

- Multiple performance opportunities with fellow Young Artists in DACAMERA community concerts:
 - A Little Day Music concerts at the Wortham Theater
 - Stop, Look, and Listen! concerts at The Menil Collection
 - Performances at venues such as Museum of Fine Arts, Houston and Galveston Artist Residency
 - Additional performance opportunities TBD

Career Development

- Career-development workshops, which generally occur on select Monday evenings
- Participation in masterclasses with DACAMERA guest artists and leading Houston musicians

Other Benefits

- Per-service honoraria resulting in an average season stipend of \$2,000 - \$6,000
- Professional headshots
- Complimentary tickets to all DACAMERA subscription concerts (subject to availability)

2022-2023 Vaccination Expectation

- All DACAMERA Young Artists are expected to have completed a full vaccination series for COVID-19, currently defined as full course COVID-19 Vaccine (typically two shots of a WHO-approved COVID-19 Vaccine or one J&J) and a COVID-19 booster, unless one of the exemptions outlined in Texas Executive Order GA-40 (October 11, 2021) applies. In such a case, applicants should submit their exemption upon successful entry into the Young Artist Program.