

ANNOUNCING THE 2023 WOMEN'S ORCHESTRA OF ARIZONA COMPOSITION COMPETITION!

The Women's Orchestra of Arizona's (WOA) Fifth Composition Competition provides women composers the opportunity to have an original orchestral work performed by an all-female orchestra. The goal of the competition is to support and encourage women composers. The winner receives a premier of her work by WOA during our 2024-2025 season, as well as a recording.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants should identify themselves as females with a minimum age of 16 years old. The selection committee will be looking for creative imagination, stylistic originality, and a personal voice.

Works must be scored for a maximum instrumentation of:

Strings: violin I, violin II, viola, cello, double bass [7/6/5/5/2].

Winds: flute, oboe, clarinet, bassoon, 2/2/2/2.

Brass: Horns, Trumpets, Trombones 2/2/2

Percussion: tympani

Works have to fall between 4 and 6 minutes. Works with soloists, instruments in addition to those listed above, or electronics will not be considered. The composition has to be brand new and cannot be previously published or publicly performed.

APPLICATION

Applications must be submitted by mail or electronically. The application should include:

- 1. Full orchestral score
- 2. Performance Parts: 1 for each section
- 3. Sound recording (MIDI or live recording)
- 4. Cover Letter including contact information and a brief description of the work

Any incomplete submissions will be disqualified.

For questions and/or electronic submission: woa@womensorchestraarizona.com

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Applications should be submitted no later than 4:00PM on May 1, 2024. Winner will be notified by June 1, 2024