

APPLICATION FORM: *A String Fort Smith*

Semester TWO/2023-2024: January 8-April 20, 2024

Today's Date: _____

Student's Name: _____

Address (Street, City, State, Zip Code): _____

Home telephone: _____ Cell phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Primary Instrument: _____ Do you own your primary instrument or rent? _____

NOTE: Students applying to *A String Fort Smith* (ASFS) must confirm private study.

Who are you currently studying with? _____

How many years have you taken private lessons? _____

Entered grade ____ (in January 2024). Name of school you attend: _____

NOTE: Participation in School Orchestra is required of students enrolled in ASFS.

Do you plan to apply for scholarship support? (yes/no ó please circle one)

Parent's/Guardian's Name: _____

Parent's/Guardian's E-mail: _____

Parent's/Guardian's Home telephone & Cell phone: _____ & _____

NOTES and/or other information you wish to share about your application and/or your musical aspirations (instruments you play, musical awards, etc.): _____

Please complete this form, **SIGN page two**, and **email** no later than **Friday, January 5, 2024**, to:

office@astringfortsmith.com

Or mail (postmarked **Wednesday, January 3, 2024**) to:

Lori Fay, *A String Fort Smith*, P.O. Box 24, Mansfield, Arkansas 72944

TUITION & PAYMENT INFORMATION

Tuition for participation in the *A String Fort Smith* Spring 2024 Semester is \$200 per student ó for both **HIGH SCHOOL** and **Non-HIGH SCHOOL** students. **HOWEVER**

HIGH SCHOOL students are encouraged to apply to their High School Music Department for scholarship support ó allocated to *A String Fort Smith* by Northside and Southside High Schools. Scholarship support for the Spring 2024 Semester is available in the amount of \$100 per student. **HIGH SCHOOL** students accepted into *A String Fort Smith* will be required to bring a check in the amount of \$100 ó payable to *A String Fort Smith* ó to the first rehearsal, on Monday, January 8. **If High School scholarship is not secured**, an additional \$100 will be payable no later than the third rehearsal, or by Monday, January 22, 2024.

Non-HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS are encouraged to apply to *A String Fort Smith* for funding based on need, up to a maximum of \$100 for the Spring 2024 Semester. *A String Fort Smith* will consider subsidizing **Non-HIGH SCHOOL** participants both based on need and a willingness to perform in a public setting free of charge (for example, playing at a church or in a nursing home). **Non-HIGH SCHOOL** students accepted into *A String Fort Smith* will be required to bring a check in the amount of \$100 ó payable to *A String Fort Smith* ó to the first rehearsal, on Monday, January 8, 2024.

Students are required to attend and participate in all rehearsals and concerts; if a student must miss a rehearsal for any reason, kindly contact Ms. Fay by email (office@astringfortsmith.com); *no refunds will be offered for missed sessions and substitute sessions will not be offered.*

DISCLAIMERS:

1. If by reason of illness or physical incapacity or other reasonable cause, *A String Fort Smith* (ASFS) is unable to perform the sessions listed below, **ASFS** shall notify Student(s) and Parent(s) at once. In such an event:

- Student(s) and Parent(s) shall not be liable to pay any fee or remuneration, except for those rehearsal sessions which actually took place;
- **ASFS** will return remaining tuition to Student(s) and Parent(s);
- **ASFS** shall not delegate rehearsals or the final concert to any other party.

2. Student(s) and Parent(s) indemnify and hold harmless **ASFS, St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church/Fort Smith**, and all **ASFS venues**, for any property damage or personal injury that results from, or is related to, the rehearsals or performances.

3. Student(s) and Parent(s) indemnify and hold harmless **ASFS, St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church/Fort Smith**, and all **ASFS venues**, for any illness ó including, but not limited to Covid-19 or Coronavirus ó resulting from participating in/attending rehearsal sessions and/or concerts. While strict cleaning measures will be taken both before and after rehearsals and before the performances at St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church and at all **ASFS venues**, it is understood that as a public program taking place in a public building, **ASFS, St. Bartholomew’s Episcopal Church/Fort Smith**, and all **ASFS venues**, will not take responsibility for the transmission of Covid-19 or Coronavirus, or any other illness determined to be connected to participation in this program.

4. Should either of the parties (**ASFS** or Student) be unable to perform or proceed with these sessions, resulting from an Act of God ó including but not limited to: earthquake, flood or hurricane, tornado, war or warlike actions (whether war be declared or not), act of terrorism, national calamity, national pandemic, accident, explosion, riot, epidemic, disruption of airline and any other travel services or act, or order of any legally constituted authority whether State, Municipal or Federal ó then this Agreement shall be considered null and void and of no effect.

I have read and fully understand all matters addressed on this Application. In acceptance of all terms and disclaimers,

Student’s Signature: _____

Parent’s/Guardian’s Signature: _____

SCHEDULE & GENERAL INFORMATION: SPRING SEMESTER 2024

PLEASE KEEP THIS FORM for your records!

A String Fort Smith

AUDITIONS (*), **REHEARSALS**, & the Friday, April 5, 2024, **PUBLIC CONCERT**, take place at:

St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church, 2701 Old Greenwood, Road, Fort Smith

SCHEDULE

Application form due:

Friday, January 5, 2024

Auditions (*):

Saturday, January 6, 2024, 1pm-2pm (St. Bartø)

Notification of Acceptance:

Saturday, January 6, 2024

(* **Current members of A String Fort Smith do not need to re-audition!**)

Audition materials should total no more than three (3) minutes in length, to include:

- ☞ An all-region excerpt, or, a piece of your choice
- ☞ Two (2) three-octave scales, *a Major and melodic minor, to be performed by memory*
Students auditioning on double bass should prepare two (2) two-octave scales,
a Major and melodic minor, to be performed by memory
- ☞ Sight-reading

If you would like to schedule an audition, please contact office@astringfortsmith.com, or text Ms. Fay at 713-826-5324

Rehearsal 1	Monday	January 8	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 2	Tuesday	January 16	6 to 7pm
		<i>Monday, January 15 is Martin Luther King Day – no rehearsal.</i>	
Rehearsal 3	Monday	January 22	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 4	Monday	January 29	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 5	Monday	February 5	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 6	Monday	February 12	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 7	Monday	February 19	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 8	Monday	February 26	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 9	Monday	March 4	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 10	Monday	March 11	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 11	Monday	March 18	6 to 7pm
		<i>While there is no required A String Fort Smith rehearsal during Spring Break, Ms. Fay will be available for any participants wishing to attend an “extra help” session.</i>	
Rehearsal 12	Monday	March 25	6 to 7pm
Rehearsal 13	Monday	April 1	6 to 7pm
		<i>First Presbyterian Church, 116 N 12th Street, Fort Smith</i>	
CONCERT	Thursday	April 4	6pm
		<i>First Presbyterian Church</i>	
CONCERT	Friday	April 5	7pm
		<i>St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church</i>	
PERFORMANCE	Saturday	April 20 (to be confirmed)	6:15pm-6:40pm
		<i>Lobby of ArcBest Performing Arts Center, prior to Fort Smith Symphony Concert</i>	