



ASTA

National Orchestra Festival®

National Orchestra Festival Master Classes

Part of the National Orchestra Festival experience is your students' opportunity to learn from some highly specialized individuals in the string community. You will receive by email a schedule of times for master classes; violin, viola, cello, double bass, fiddling, jazz and a discussion session. Please select the times that best fit into your schedule for your students to attend.

1. Each student may attend **ONE** master class. Please count the number of students from your group and select which master class you would prefer (see attached schedule).
2. If you have a student that would interested in working with the Clinician please note that when you submit your preferences. Classes that will need volunteers to participate with the Clinicians would be the Violin, Viola, Cello and Double Bass.
3. Jazz and Fiddle classes are interactive. Students taking this class should bring their instruments.
4. The very popular Discussion class is back for another year. This class is for only high school aged students. **Answering the Question, "WHY?": Challenging Concepts for the High School Orchestra Member.** In this session, Scott Laird will encourage participants to consider the challenges and rewards of participation in the orchestral community of their school and beyond. In this interactive session, students will not only make new friends, but also come away with a great deal of food for thought on topics including creativity and art, leadership, community responsibilities, ethics and the student musician, and defining success. Laird, a National Board Certified Teacher and Educational Specialist for D'Addario Bowed Strings, has over 20 years of experience as a string educator and conductor and has inspired ensembles to musical maturity and excellence every step of the way.

Coming Soon: check out ASTA's website for the biographies of the master class clinicians!

******Please note this information is due November 15th. There is a limit of how many students may attend each class. The master class times that you choose will be on a first come first serve basis. You must turn in this information along with the November 15th deposit to have your classes confirmed.***