High School Division

High School Division participants are required to submit a video recording. All videos, scores, group headshot and bio should be uploaded to Acceptd.

If your ensemble has any questions or concerns regarding eligibility, repertoire, or the application process please do not hesitate to reach out to our Programs Manager, Sophia Dobbie at sophia@lyricabaroque.com.

ELIGIBILITY

The **High School Division** ensembles consist of students who are enrolled in the 9th through 12th grades during the 2026-2027 academic school year.

- Suggested chamber ensemble size is 2-6 performers.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS AND FEES

All registration fees are nonrefundable. If your ensemble has any questions or concerns regarding the registration fee, please do not hesitate to contact us. NOLA Chamber Fest will do its best to assist you with any concerns regarding financial needs.

Application timeline information:

Registration	**Deadline**	**Fee**
Early Bird Registration	March 26, 2027 @ 11:59p CST	$100
FINAL Registration	April 9, 2027 @ 11:59p CST	$200

- **Results will be announced on April 23, 2027 at 10:00am CST**

REPERTOIRE REQUIREMENTS

- Each ensemble must prepare at least two contrasting works, or two movements from a singular work, totalling 7-12 minutes of music.
- One of the two pieces must be a composition by an underrepresented composer.
    - For information on how to research and find repertoire, please visit our Resources Page.

VIDEO REQUIREMENTS

- Video submissions may be live performances.
- The entire program does not need to be recorded in one take, nor do entire works, however editing individual movements is not allowed.
- We encourage the highest recording quality possible. Tools and ideas for preparation, recording, and uploading can be found on our Resources Page.
- **New this year:**
    - In addition to your repertoire submission, your ensemble will need to submit a 1-3 minute video introduction. Some topic ideas include, but are not limited to: when and why your chamber group was founded, what inspired you to choose the repertoire you are performing, why chamber music is important, how participating in NOLA Chamber Fest will help further your careers as musicians, etc. *Please note that these videos may be used for promotional purposes.*

PRIZES

- First Prize:
    - $500 cash
    - Winners Masterclass Performance
- Second Prize:
    - $300 cash
- Third Prize
    - $100 cash

FAQ's

Should each individual member register for NCF?

No, ensembles should submit one registration with one fee. Register here!

I'm having trouble uploading my video. Who should I contact?

You can contact us through email if you are having trouble! We strongly recommend trying to upload a few days before the deadline in case any problems occur. Contact Sophia Dobbie at sophia@lyricabaroque.com with any questions!