

Debut Strings

The new **DEBUT STRINGS** ensemble is designed as a beginning string orchestra for advanced beginners who want the *FUN* of playing in a group, but who might not feel quite ready for the Youth Symphony. Under the direction of Symphony musician Margaret Whitson, the program's focus will be ensemble training and will include the basics in music theory, history, rhythm and key signature recognition and sight reading. An audition is not required to enroll, but due to the goals of program, all prospective members must be able to meet the following requirements:

- ♪ the ability to easily identify and play notes and basic rhythms on your instrument when sight-reading any new music
- ♪ a recommendation from your string teacher.

Begins October 5, 2009.

Mondays ▪ 3:30-4:30pm ▪ Sinsheimer Elementary School, SLO
Tuition: \$280 (scholarships available)



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Originally from the Bay Area, Margaret is an accomplished teacher, violinist and violist who draws upon years of professional experience in her teaching and playing. In addition to teaching strings privately, she performs regularly with the San Luis Obispo Symphony, teaches for the Symphony's *Strings in the Schools* program, she also directed the *Prelude Summer Music Camps* and *Intermezzo String Workshop*, and coaches for the SLO Youth Symphony.

Yes! I'm interested in joining Debut Strings!

Student's name _____ Grade _____ School _____

Address _____ City/State _____ Zip _____

Parent/Guardian name _____ Home phone _____

Parent Address _____ Work phone _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____ Parent e-mail _____

Student's instrument (please select one): Violin Viola Cello Bass Years of study: _____

String Teacher _____ Phone: _____

Recent piece(s) he/she has worked on? _____

YES! Please send me a scholarship application

Return this form to San Luis Obispo Symphony, P.O. Box 658, San Luis Obispo, CA 93406. Space is limited.