

PRESS RELEASE

Atlanta Youth Orchestra Announces 2018 Summer Training Camp



The Atlanta Youth Orchestra, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, is excited to announce an outstanding opportunity for area students. The AYO is offering a summer orchestra music camp – complete orchestral training for rising eight grade students through rising college freshman. The **2018 Summer Training Camp** will provide all coaching by members of the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra, while led by AYO Artistic Director and Conductor, Maestro Michael Palmer. Revered for his conducting excellence from his early days at the ASO to his leadership at GA State, Maestro Palmer directs music

festivals and orchestras across the United States. Founded by William Pu, owner of the *William Pu Music Academy*, the AYO's mission is to provide the highest possible level of instruction and performance, while focusing on the value of music education, world citizenship, and promoting peace through cultural exchange.



William Pu



Michael Palmer

Mr. Pu is an exceptional violinist who spent twelve years as the Associate Concertmaster with the ASO, and prior to that was the Assistant Concertmaster of the Houston Symphony. He seeks to bring to our area students a very unique summer experience where these young musicians will have the benefit of training and instruction by some of the very best professionals in all of the Atlanta Metro, and the entire Southeast!

The camp will be held from Monday, June 11th to Saturday, June 16th at Johns Creek United Methodist Church. Tuition is \$450 plus a nonrefundable \$35 registration fee. Some tuition incentives are available. Students must have had at least one year of instrument instruction, and auditions will be at the discretion of the program director. A limited number of scholarships will be available based on need. Register at www.atlantayouthorchestra.com, where additional information is provided. Deadline for applications is May 10th. For questions, please call 404-518-8891 or email atlantayouthorchestra@gmail.com. Venue is located at 11180 Medlock Bridge Rd, Johns Creek, GA 30097.

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