



For almost 60 years, Kinhaven Music School has given young musicians an opportunity to make classical music with other talented teens who love nothing better. The heart of our program is chamber music along with private lessons, orchestra, and large ensemble work. Our outstanding faculty of professional musicians creates a collegial environment where students sharpen their performance skills and explore their creative potential. Each young musician enrolled in the program is selected based on an audition, yet after admission, the competition ends and the mutual support begins.

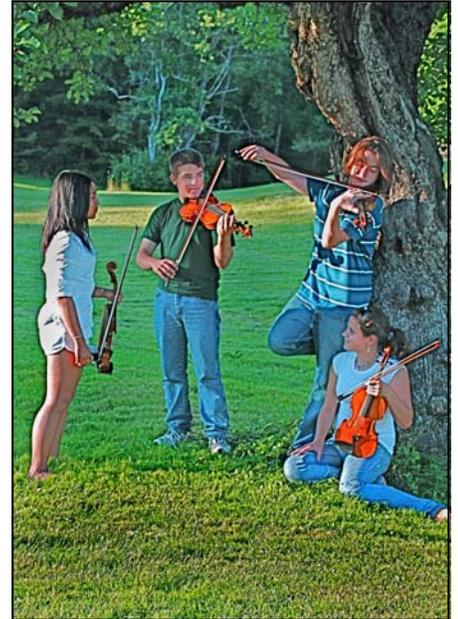


SENIOR SESSION

Presenting glorious opportunities for high-level music making, personal growth, and life-long friendships, Kinhaven's six week long Senior Session is comprised of 90 young musicians engaged in chamber music, orchestra, large ensembles, and spontaneous music-making. The experience is one of community, shared learning, and mutual support in which friendship and encouragement are always present.

High-school age young adults are challenged by a variety of chamber and orchestra repertoire. Co-Directors Tony Mazzocchi and Deborah Buck lead a faculty of professional musicians who specialize in working with talented and dedicated young people. The faculty reside on campus during the sessions and share meals, which are times of good eating and socializing.

During the program, each week students are thoughtfully assigned a chamber group with a piece that is appropriate for the group's ability and a faculty coach. In addition, in orchestra, where assignments rotate each week, students are challenged by symphonic repertoire such as Tchaikovsky Symphonies 4, 5, and 6, Berlioz Symphonie Fantastique, and Brahms First and Second Symphonies. Every piece our young artists study and rehearse culminates in public performances which happen weekly on Fridays and Sundays.



Each student receives at least one private lesson per week, but often teachers meet more frequently with students to review their progress, help them prepare the week's repertoire, and encourage productive practice habits.



JUNIOR SESSION

Each year 70 middle-school age musicians take part in our two week long Junior Session. Co-directed by Sandy Dennis and Marty Knieriem, our dedicated faculty of professional musicians works to match students with chamber groups and orchestral repertoire that challenge and delight them. Every piece our young artists study and rehearse culminates in public performances which happen weekly on Fridays and Sundays.

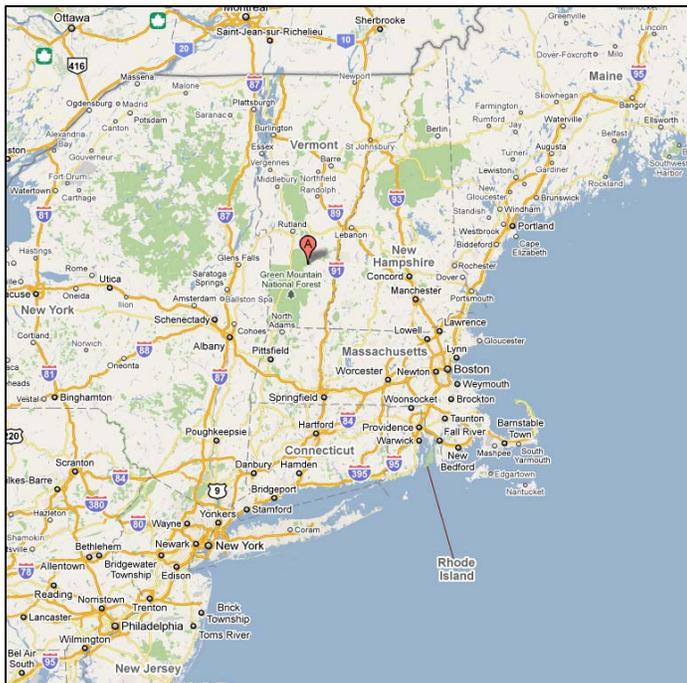
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LOCATION AND FACILITIES

Kinhaven is located in Weston, Vermont 30 minutes north of Manchester and 30 minutes south of Ludlow. Our a 31-acre campus is dotted with practice cabins, a large rehearsal building, a concert hall, a dining facility, and a barn with piano and teaching studios.



Student Accommodations and the Kinhaven Kitchen

Students live in cabins that have modern plumbing and electricity. The Kinhaven kitchen is famous for its delicious and nutritious homemade fare. Breads are baked fresh daily and vegetarian options are always available.



STUDENT LIFE

The Kinhaven experience is one of community, shared learning, and mutual support in which friendship and encouragement are always present. When not practicing or rehearsing students enjoy our beautiful swimming pond, soccer field, art house, and activities organized by our staff such as hikes, games, scavenger hunts, and the annual Regatta.

FINANCIAL AID

Each year, funds are allocated for tuition reduction. Those funds come from foundations, individual donors, and other sources. Accordingly, financial aid is available to qualified students who demonstrate fiscal need. If you would like to attend Kinhaven, but are concerned about the tuition, we invite you to apply for financial aid.

HOW TO APPLY

To apply to Kinhaven, you must submit a completed application and either include an audition recording or arrange for a personal audition. Applicants are accepted until each class is filled. We are happy to supply information about openings at any time.

Audition Recordings and Live Auditions

On your audition recording, you should record 5-10 minutes of a representative work of your choosing. Both audio and video recordings are welcome.

Live auditions are offered in various cities. Please consult the Announcements Page at www.kinhaven.org for updated information, dates and locations.

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