

Houghton University

Summer String Festival Resident & Day Camp

July 26-30, 2026



IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

Camp Director: Soo Yeon Kim, DMA, Assistant Professor of Violin and Viola

Camp Director E-Mail: sooyeon.kim@houghton.edu Cell Phone: (201) 723-1487

Safety and Security: (585) 567-9333 (on duty 24 hours a day in the event of an emergency)

IMPORTANT ADDRESS:

Sunday Registration and Drop Off: July 26th, 6 p.m. in the Center for the Fine Arts Atrium

Houghton University Center for the Fine Arts

1 Willard Avenue, Houghton, NY 14744

<https://www.houghton.edu/admission/visiting/campus-map/>

PAYMENTS AND FINAL BALANCES:

- All payments are completed online through your UltraCamp Registration.
- You can pay in full or make monthly payments.
- Payment amount or changes can be adjusted by contacting conferences@houghton.edu

REFUND POLICY:

- Withdrawal 4 weeks before the Camp Start Date: Only the \$100 deposit will be refunded.
- No refund granted if withdrawal is within 3 weeks of camp.

REGISTRATION DAY:

- **Registration on Sunday at 6 p.m. in the Center for the Fine Arts Atrium.**
- Campers will check in, meet camp staff, receive camp t-shirts, meet with the summer medical staff, and drop off belongings in their dorm rooms.
- **FORMS SUBMITTED ONLINE BEFORE ARRIVAL**
 - Medical Forms – A physician's signature must accompany each prescription and over-the-counter medication, and both must be turned in to the camp health director at check-in.
 - All over-the-counter and prescription medications must be labeled and in their original containers.

FESTIVAL PICK-UP:

DEPARTURE PICK-UP: Festival will end at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, July 30.

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<u>Time</u>	<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>
Sunday, July 26		
6 p.m.	Festival Registration- Resident Campers only	CFA Atrium
Monday, July 27		
9 - 9:30 a.m.	Camp Registration- Day Campers	CFA Atrium
9:30 – 10 a.m.	Orientation	Recital Hall
10 – 10:50 a.m.	String Orchestra rehearsal	Recital Hall
10:50 – 11 a.m.	Break	
11 – 12 p.m.	Private Lessons / Practice	Individual lesson & practice rooms on 2 nd floor
12 – 12:45 p.m.	Lunch	Dining Hall
1 – 3 p.m.	Chamber Music rehearsals/coaching	2 nd floor offices/practice rooms
3 – 3:30 p.m.	Break / Snack time	Atrium
3:30 – 4:20 p.m.	String Orchestra sectional	Recital Hall & IRH
4:30 – 5:30 p.m.	Musicians' Body Awareness workshop	Recital Hall
5:30 – 6:30 p.m.	Dinner	Dining Hall
6:30 – 8 p.m.	Private Lessons / Practice	Individual lesson & practice rooms on 2 nd floor
8 p.m.	Day Campers Depart	Atrium
8 – 9:30 p.m.	Evening Activities for Resident Campers	Atrium/IRH/Dorms
	Evening Devotionals	
9:30 p.m.	Get ready for bed	Dorms
10:30 p.m.	Lights Out	Dorms
Monday, July 28		
8:30 – 9 a.m.	Breakfast / Devotional	Dining Hall
9:15 – 10 a.m.	String Orchestra rehearsal	Recital Hall
10:15 – 11 a.m.	Body Awareness Workshop	Recital Hall
11 – 12 p.m.	Individual Practice / Private Lessons	Individual lesson & practice rooms on 2 nd floor
12:00 – 12:50 p.m.	Lunch	Dining Hall
1 – 2:30 p.m.	Chamber Music rehearsal/coaching	CFA
2:30-2:45 p.m.	Snack break	Atrium
2:45 – 5:30 p.m.	Masterclass (Violin, Viola, Cello)	Recital Hall & IRH
5:30 – 6:15 p.m.	Dinner	Dining Hall
6:30 – 7 p.m.	Individual Practice	2 nd & 3 rd Floor practice rooms
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Faculty Concert	Recital Hall
8:00 p.m.	Day Campers Depart	Atrium
8 – 9:30 p.m.	Evening Activities for Resident Campers	Atrium/IRH/Dorms
	Evening Devotionals	
9:30 p.m.	Get ready for bed	Dorms
10:30 p.m.	Lights Out	Dorms

Tuesday, July 29		
8:30 – 9 a.m.	Breakfast / Devotional	Dining Hall
9:15 – 10:30 a.m.	String Orchestra rehearsal	Recital Hall
10:30 – 11:15	Private Lessons / Individual Practice	Individual lesson & practice rooms on 2 nd floor
11:15 a.m. – 12 p.m.	Jazz Improvisation workshop	Recital Hall
12:00 – 12:50 p.m.	Lunch	Dining Hall
1 – 2:30 p.m.	Chamber Music rehearsal/coaching	CFA
2:30-2:45 p.m.	Snack break	Atrium
2:45 – 5:30 p.m.	Private Lessons / Individual Practice	Recital Hall & IRH
4 – 5:30 p.m.	Student Showcase Competition	Recital Hall
5:30 – 6:15 p.m.	Dinner	Dining Hall
6:30 – 7 p.m.	Individual Practice / Free time	2 nd & 3 rd Floor practice rooms
7:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Student Showcase Concert	Recital Hall
8 p.m.	Day Campers Depart	Atrium
8 – 9:30 p.m.	Evening Activities for Resident Campers Evening Devotionals	Atrium/IRH/Dorms
9:30 p.m.	Get ready for bed	Dorms
10:30 p.m.	Lights Out	Dorms
Thursday, July 30		
8:30 – 9:30 a.m.	Breakfast / Pack	Dining Hall
9:45 – 10:30 a.m.	String Orchestra rehearsal/sound check	Recital Hall
10:30 – 11:15 a.m.	Sound Check	Recital Hall
12 - 1 p.m.	Final Concert	Recital Hall
1 p.m.	Departure	Atrium

Thank you for coming to Camp! We hope to see you next summer!

List of Courses:

- Private Lessons for Violin, Viola, and Cello
- Chamber Music
- Masterclasses with guest artists
- String Orchestra
- Cello Choir
- Jazz Improvisation Workshop
- Musicians' Wellness Workshop

CAMPER EXPECTATIONS AND INFORMATION:

The Summer String Festival is an educational experience that fosters students' growth as artists and individuals in a safe, enjoyable environment. Adhering to the rules and engaging in positive interactions with counselors and other campers are essential to achieving this goal. Therefore, we ask that you abide by the following rules during your time at camp:

- Demonstrate Excellence in all that you do. Give your best for the few days you are here.
- We have a ZERO TOLERANCE policy for bullying to ensure every camper is safe. We will not tolerate behavior toward another camper that could be considered harassment, intimidation, threats, or demeaning. Any camper involved in such behavior will be dismissed from camp without a refund.
- Look for ways to encourage fellow campers whenever possible.
- No cell phones are permitted during training sessions or formal camp gatherings unless a coach grants permission. Phones may be used in dorms and at mealtimes.

- You must not leave campus unless approved by Director Kim. If campers are authorized to leave early during the camp day, a parent must sign them out.
- Campers are NOT permitted in ANY building other than your dorm, the Center for the Arts, and the Campus Center unless otherwise directed by the Camp Director.
- Stay with your assigned counselor during free time. Campers ARE NOT permitted to be without counselor supervision for the duration of camp. Campers must stay with a counselor when moving between campus areas.
- Do not enter another camper's room without their express permission.
- Respect individuals' property. Vandalism and theft will result in immediate dismissal without a refund. Damage to University property will be billed to the camper and parents/guardians.
- Please keep the dorms clean. Use garbage cans on each floor.
- Leave all areas (e.g., cafeteria, dorms, athletic fields) cleaner and better than we found them.
- Directors and floor counselors may inspect your room without advance notice.
- Be aware of lights-out times; these will be enforced throughout the week.
- No swearing, smoking, gambling, drinking, drugs, or indecent photos. Any such offense gives us grounds to dismiss you from camp without a refund.

Packing List



THINGS TO BRING TO CAMP:

Music Specific:

- Assigned Ensemble Music (String Orchestra)
- Assigned Ensemble Music (Chamber Music)
- Private Lesson Music
- Portable stand
- Metronome!

Linens:

- Pillow/Pillowcase
- Twin sheets
- Blanket
- Towels

Toiletries:

- Shampoo/Conditioner
- Soap
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush/toothpaste

Clothes:

- Athletic attire for five days, plus extra for additional changes
- Towel
- Comfortable shoes (sneakers/flip-flops)
- Additional clothes for the dorm
- Concert Attire
 - Ladies: Colorful top & black bottom (dress pants, below-the-knee skirts, black concert shoes)
 - Gentlemen: Colorful top & black bottom (dress pants & dress shoes)

Other Items:

- Fan (optional but highly recommended)
- Alarm clock
- Sunscreen
- Personal spending money (optional)- to use at the campus store
- \$30.00 key deposit in cash (refundable)- exact change is appreciated
- A great and courteous attitude toward all
- Energy and fun

THINGS NOT TO BRING TO CAMP:

- Refrigerators
- Televisions and/or Blu-Ray and/or video game consoles
- Valuables: We are not responsible for anything that is lost or stolen