NORD is interviewing for lifeguard positions

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The New Orleans Recreation Development Commission is hiring more than 150 lifeguards for the summer 2018 pool season. Applicants do not need prior lifeguard experience, but must know how to swim. NORD Aquatics will train and prepare all qualified candidates for certification at no cost.

Lifeguard hiring sessions are being held at 6 p.m. and again at 7 p.m. Wednesdays through May 2 at the Milne NOLA for Life Recreation Center, 5420 Franklin Ave.

All individuals interested in becoming a summer lifeguard must attend a hiring session, complete an application, be at least 16 years old and know how to swim. Salaries begin at \$11.38 per hour. For information, contact NORD Aquatics at (504) 658-3020 or visit www. nordc.org/jobs.



Among those winning recognition during the 2017 season of the Junior Philharmonic Society of New Orleans were, from left, Tadgh Bowman, Kennedy Bissant, Therese Fayard, Sophia Vu, Virginia Babin and Yelizaveta Gorbochova.

Junior Philharmonic Society of New Orleans plans May 6 performance at Tulane

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The Junior Philharmonic Society of New Orleans will present its 278th performance featuring the talents of young dancers and instrumentalists from throughout the New Orleans area at 2 p.m. Sunday, May 6, at Dixon Hall, Tulane University. Admission is free.

Performing artists include 10-year-old cellist Hanson Lieu: violinist Grace Collins, 17; pianists Olivia Gilbert, 21, Berelian Karimian, 13, Sneha Mondal, 12, William Wells, 16, and Hannah Wen, 9; and dancers Jordan Majeau, 18, Ainsley Poche, 12, Isobel Ramsey, 12, and Adelaide Rodrigue, 13.

Each year, the Junior Philharmonic Society holds open auditions for young artists under age 25 who are studying voice, instrumental music

and dance. If selected, the students are presented in one of two concerts sponsored by the society.

Following the second performance, the organization determines the winners of up to five special cash awards, which are presented at the first concert held the following year. At the March 25 concert, eight outstanding students from the 2017 season were presented special cash awards. These include Scholarship Award winner Henry Diggins; Irving Carr Award winner Andrew Busenlener; John Tobin Award winner Virginia Babin; Patzer Award winner Yelizaveta Gorbochova; Emily Bayle Award winner Sophia Vu; and Victo-ria and Lawrence Blanchard Ensemble winners Kennedy Bissant, Tadgh Bowman and Therese Fayard.