Never been to a Symphony concert before? Here are some frequently asked questions:

Where do I buy tickets?
You may either buy tickets online at this website, or at the Box Office approximately 30 minutes before the concert.

What do I wear?
"Dressy casual" is always a good answer. Patrons generally wear what is most comfortable and reflective of their own style. The key thing to remember is that we want you to enjoy the show, not worry about your clothing.

When should I arrive?
Many patrons arrive 20 to 30 minutes before the concert is scheduled to begin. Will-call ticket patrons should arrive at least 30 minutes early. If you arrive after the concert has started, it is customary to wait until the first musical break to be seated.

What if I don't enjoy or know the music?
Congratulations for exploring something new! The program notes in the program your usher hands you will give you a broad overview on the pieces being performed.

When do I applaud?
When you get to the concert, look at the page that lists the pieces to be performed. Most musical compositions are made up of 3- 4 sections, with brief pauses between. It is customary, but difficult, to hold your applause until the end. If you still aren't certain when to applaud, a good sign is when the conductor either turns around or steps off the podium. If all else fails, you can always wait for the rest of the audience to begin clapping.

If you get swept up in the music and start applauding alone, don't worry about it. We've all done it at least once!

May I bring my children?
Children of all ages are welcome at any of our family concerts. For more traditional fare, use discretion on whether your child is able to sit through the concert. Infants are not advised, as they could disrupt the patrons around you. If your child becomes restless to the point of distracting others from the music, it is appropriate for you to withdraw with your child to the lobby.

Where do I park?
There is abundant free parking outside the performance venue.

May I bring my cellular or wireless phone?
Please turn off all cellular or wireless phones before entering the concert hall. Please also disconnect electronic signals on watches and paging devices before the performance.

May I take pictures or record the performance?
The use of still, video and digital cameras or audio recording equipment is prohibited. You may see a photographer or video/recording technician who has been engaged by the orchestra; these individuals have special permission to record or photograph the concerts.

How long is a typical performance?
Although concert length varies, most performances are about two hours, including one 15-minute intermission. Children's concerts are generally closer to an hour in length.

What if I'm unable to attend my performance?
Tickets purchased on the web are nonrefundable.

If you have further questions, please contact us at info@ypsilantisymphony.org. Thank you for your interest, we hope you enjoy the concert!