

2024 Cello Haven, LLC (High School Camp) Monday, July 8 (9 AM) - Wednesday, July 10 (5 PM) Registration Form

Colombiere Conference and Retreat Center
9075 Big Lake Rd.
Clarkston, Michigan 48346
Phone of venue: 248-620-2443

Please do not call the venue for questions pertaining to Cello Haven!

Camp Phone: 989-400-1073 (text is OK)
Camp email: fiste1ja@gmail.com

Thank you for choosing the Cello Haven! We are here to help you learn! We look forward to seeing you!

To reserve your place, please send completed registration, liability release, questionnaire forms, and payment in full. Registration forms can be emailed to fiste1ja@gmail.com or mailed to the address below. Payments can be made via Venmo to James Fiste@cellohaven (cell phone 989-400-1073) or by check/money order mailed the address below. Please make checks out to "Cello Haven". You will receive a confirmation email when your registration and payment are received.

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Please keep a copy of this registration form for your information. We are capping the camp at 25 so please contact me before submitting application to be sure there is still room! Chamber music groups will be formed, and music will be sent out via PDF four weeks before the camp. For seating and part assignments, students are required to submit a short video of their playing due May 20th, 2024, to assist us in assigning parts and chamber groups (please see below). One idea is to submit a video recording of the student's Solo & Ensemble performance.

Cello Haven is open to students aged 13-18. Students going into high school and recent graduates are welcome.

We have made arrangements to hold the camp at the Colombiere Conference Center, about halfway between Detroit and Flint in Michigan. Colombiere opened as a Jesuit training facility in 1959 and currently serves as a conference and retreat center. It is surrounded with acres of towering pines, oaks, and walking trails. For more information, please see www.colombiere.com

We have made every effort to keep the cost as low as possible. The following costs cover everything: room and board (includes 2 nights, 7 meals), all the classes, chamber music coachings, cello orchestra, and the concert. There is also a lower fee for commuters (see below).

Cost of room and board (Lodging is Monday and Tuesday nights, 7 meals lunch to lunch):

- Single with private bathroom: \$352.00 per person, per stay (limited availability).
- Single without private bathroom: \$322.00 per person, per stay.
- Double room with private bathroom (only available with specific roommate request, see below): \$322.00 per person, per stay.
- Double room without private bathroom (only available with specific roommate request, see below): \$312.00 per person, per stay.

All room requests are based on availability at time of registration.

If you choose a room without a private bath, public shower facilities include private shower stalls. Gender neutral, private bathrooms with private shower stalls are also available.

Commuters: \$160.00 + purchase of individual meals (Breakfast \$11.00, Lunch \$14.00, Dinner \$16.00).

NOTE: There is a Tuesday evening rehearsal 7-8:30 PM so commuters will need to be available at this time. There will also be a bonfire for the students after the rehearsal. There will also be some activities in the evening on Monday that commuters may want to attend.

Meals begin with Monday lunch and end with Wednesday lunch. The dining hall accommodates vegetarians, vegans, gluten free diets, and allergies. Please indicate special meal requests below.

NOTE: All reservations for the camp need to be made through Cello Haven.

If you have questions about your playing level and its appropriateness for the camp, please contact us at fiste1ja@gmail.com or 989-400-1073.

Cello Haven accepts applications on a first come first serve basis.

Code of conduct

All students are expected to exhibit exemplary and respectful behavior towards all Cello Haven and Colombiere staff, instructors, students, and residents. It goes without saying, but just to cover our bases, no illegal alcohol or drug use will be tolerated. Colombiere is also home to retired

Jesuit Priests and serves as a nursing home for them as well. All Colombiere residents are located on the opposite side of the retreat center and is strictly off limits to anyone except authorized personnel. Campers are expected to observe all Colombiere rules, which will be covered at orientation. Any violation of Cello Haven or Colombiere rules may result in immediate expulsion at the discretion of Colombiere and Cello Haven staff.

To register, please complete the following information, email your video (no stress! see below), complete the questions about your playing (see below), and make payment. Thank you!

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

- Sign me up for Cello Haven and room and board. (Continue to **A**)
- Sign me up for Cello Haven but I will be a commuter. (Continue to **B**)

A Please choose housing options (overnight campers only):

- Single room with private bathroom: \$352.00 per person, per stay (limited availability)
- Single room without private bathroom: \$322.00 per person, per stay
- Double room with private bath (only available with roommate request. See below): \$322.00 per person, per stay
- Double room without private bath (only available with roommate request. See below): \$312.00 per person, per stay

All room requests are based on availability at time of registration.

Special meal request: Please indicate any dietary restrictions. The dining hall accommodates vegetarian, vegan, gluten free, and allergies.

Roommate Request: _____

B Meal options (commuters only):

Commuters = \$160 plus meals.

Meals can be purchased in advance at a group rate. They are: Breakfast \$11.00, Lunch \$14.00, Dinner \$16.00 per meal. Please specify how many of which meals you will need (lunch on Monday to lunch on Wednesday equals 7 meals for a total of \$96).

Special meal request: Please indicate any dietary restrictions. The dining hall accommodates vegetarian, vegan, gluten free, and allergies. _____

Please make check payable to "Cello Haven" for the total amounts selected above. Payment can also be made via Venmo to James Fiste@cellohaven (phone is 989-400-1073).

Total: _____

Cancellation Policy: Prior to May 8th, 2024 fees will be refunded minus \$25. A refund minus \$25 is possible after May 8th, 2024, if allowed by Colombiere Retreat and Conference Center. If you need to leave during the course of the camp due to illness or any other reason, fees cannot be returned.

Video and Audio Recording: The use of video and audio recording is limited to your personal use. Sharing or posting in any way, including social media, video and/or audio recordings of any classes and sessions, rehearsals, and concerts (or any portions thereof) from the Camp is prohibited unless there is a written permission from Cello Haven LLC in advance.

Please keep a copy of this registration form for your information. **Please turn in registration as soon as possible as registration is on a first come first serve basis.** Chamber music groups will be formed, and music will be sent out via PDF four weeks before the camp.

Campers must submit a short video of their playing. Please do not stress about this! It is only to assist us in assigning parts and chamber groups! Please submit a video that is a minimum of 2 minutes in length that demonstrates your abilities to fiste1ja@gmail.com by May 20th, 2024. Your video can be previously recorded if it is from the past 12 months (i.e. Solo & Ensemble video performance).

I have read and agree to abide by all the terms stated in the 2024 Cello Haven Camp LLC Registration Form.

Applicant's Signature: _____

Date: _____

Parent/Legal Guardian _____

Date: _____

Cello Haven LLC Liability Release Form

I AM AWARE that my/my child's participation in the Cello Haven LLC ("the Camp") involves risks of personal injury, property damage, and other risks associated with the Camp.

I RELEASE the Camp and its agents, employees, board, and volunteers from liability for any loss, damage, and claims, including attorney fees, on account of injury to me/my child or to my/his or her property arising directly or indirectly from participation in the Camp.

I HEREBY Hold HARMLESS the Camp and its agents, employees, board, and volunteers from any and all claims, actions, or damages relating to or arising out of any activity related to participation in the Camp. These releases are effective for the student listed below, his or her personal representatives, assigns, and heirs.

I KNOW that if I/my child becomes injured while participating in the Camp, I/he or she is responsible for healthcare expenses, and I/he or she has made arrangements to handle such expenses through insurance coverage, access to cash, or other methods.

I ASSUME FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR any and all claims and costs (including my own) arising directly or indirectly out of activities, acts, or omissions while I/my child is participating in the Camp.

I FURTHERMORE give any organization involved with the Camp permission to photograph/video and audio record me/my child. I understand that the Camp has permission to use these photographs/video and audio recordings/other media for publicity purposes, unless written notice is received to the contrary.

I CERTIFY that the statements made in this release are true and correct and have been given voluntarily. I understand that this information may be disclosed to any party, with legal and proper interest, and I release the agency from any liability whatsoever for supplying such information.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ AND UNDERSTAND COMPLETELY THE ABOVE PROVISIONS AND VOLUNTARILY SIGN THE RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT.

APPLICANT'S NAME: _____

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN'S NAME (if applicant under 18 years of age):

PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN'S SIGNATURE (if applicant under 18 years of age):

_____ DATE _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Emergency Contact Phone: _____

Emergency Contact Address: _____

Please Answer the Following Questions About Your Playing

Please use the other side of this paper if you need more space

Please do not feel any pressure in answering these questions! They will better enable us to give you most valuable experience possible at the camp! Please be as complete as possible. Thank you!

1. How long have you been playing cello?
2. Your age and grade in school:
3. What do you feel are your strong points as a player (i.e. tone, rhythm, knowledge of fingerboard)?
4. What aspects of playing would you like the most help with?
5. Do you currently play in any ensembles (i.e. orchestras, string quartets, etc)? Please describe.
6. Please list some examples of repertoire you have played (solo pieces, chamber music, orchestral music, etudes, position pieces). Which ones have you found to be difficult for you and why?
7. What left-hand positions are you comfortable playing in (i.e. first position, fourth position, etc)?
8. Can you read treble clef? Tenor clef?
9. Have you taken or do you take private lessons? When and how often?

Any other comments (please use other side if needed):

Travel to Colombiere Conference and Retreat Center

The address of conference center is,

**9075 Big Lake Rd.
Clarkston, Michigan 48346**

If you need further directions, the phone of the conference center is,

248-620-2443

Colombiere is easily reached via I-75 north from Detroit or south from Flint to Dixie Highway – Waterford (#93) exit, then south on Dixie ¼ mile to Big Lake Rd.

From Ann Arbor, take U.S. 23 north to M-59 (Highland Rd. Exit 67). Go east (turn right) to Airport Rd north (left turn) to Andersonville Rd (right turn) to Dixie Highway north (left turn) about 5 miles to Big Lake Rd. Turn left on Big Lake. Follow the signs to Colombiere Center (approximately ½ mile).

Taxi Services*

Flint Bishop

Bishop International Cab: (810) 691-6396, estimates \$68 to Clarkston

Hey! Taxi: (810) 629-7080, \$57 to Clarkston

Citizen's Car Service: 1-800-878-7887, \$95 to Clarkston

Detroit Metro

Airport Taxis: 1-800-745-5191, \$91 to Clarkston

Metro Cars: 1-800-456-1701, \$103 + gratuity

Citizen's Car Service: 1-800-878-7887, \$85

*Taxi services are subject to change without notice

Cello Haven does not guarantee transportation at or to the camp.

What to Bring to Camp

You will need to bring your own instrument or rent an instrument from a local shop. Cello Haven does **not** have instruments to rent. You can rent instruments from Shar Music in Ann Arbor, MI: 1-800-248-7427.

You will need to bring a music stand and all the music for your ensembles. Folding music stands will suffice for the camp. **You will also need an endpin anchor to play in the chapel for the concert.**

It is highly recommended that you bring the following musical items:

Extra strings

Rosin

Endpin strap

Extra bow if you have one

Solo music if you'd like to perform in a master class.

Listed below are some additional items you may want to bring to camp.

(Please note that linens are provided by Colombiere.)

Fan

Sunscreen

Jacket

Comfortable walking shoes

Umbrella

Hair dryer

Toothbrush/Toothpaste

Shampoo/conditioner

Soap

Alarm clock (if you don't have a smart phone)

Bug spray

Hat

2024 Cello Haven Schedule (subject to change)

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
9am-check in	8am-breakfast	8am-breakfast
10am-orientation/ice breakers	8:45-warm ups	8:45-warm ups
11am- chamber ensemble rehearsal	9:15am- technique class	9:15am-cello choir rehearsal
12pm-lunch	10:15am- cello choir	10:30- chamber rehearsal
1pm-cello choir	11am- activity time	11:40am- activity time
2pm-chamber coaching	12pm- lunch	12pm- lunch
3pm-technique class	1pm- masterclass	1pm- chamber rehearsal in chapel (groups rotate through)
4pm-activity time	2:30pm- chamber coaching	2:15pm- cello choir in chapel
5:30pm-dinner	4pm- cello choir	3:30pm- pack up and change for concert
6:30pm-cello choir	5:30pm- dinner	4pm- student concert main chapel
- activity time/free time/ practice time		
	6:15 chamber rehearsal	
	7pm-8:30: <i>rehearsal in chapel</i>	
	9:30pm bonfire	

** By 11pm— Quiet time, all students in their rooms.