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I've been writing about classical music and other arts for the Enquirer since 1991. I'm a native of the San Francisco Bay Area, but I almost feel like a Cincinnati because I've lived here since college. I've been on five international tours covering the Cincinnati Symphony and Pops orchestras, and I've blogged from Europe, Japan and China. On weekends, you might find me at the Blue Wisp Jazz Club or strolling through an art museum. My favorite things about Cincinnati include Music Hall and the bakeries. I play tennis to burn off Bonbonerie's opera cream torte.

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Cincy singer a finalist in Atlanta "Songster"

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A former music and arts teacher at Fort Thomas Independent Schools is one of three finalists in "Atlanta Symphony Songster 2010," an amateur vocal contest sponsored by the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra and Turner Classic Movies. Christina Lewis, 31, of Cincinnati, will sing the song made famous by Judy Garland, "Over the Rainbow," with the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra on Saturday, prior to the start of the orchestra's "Wizard of Oz" concert at Verizon Wireless Amphitheatre at Encore Park.

Lewis, who was born in Lima, is a University of Cincinnati College-Conservatory of Music graduate. She currently teaches music at Uptown Arts.

Last month, the orchestra solicited audition videos of "Over the Rainbow" from amateur singers on YouTube. The three finalists, who also include Joseph Brewer of Columbus, GA, and Rebekah Dossou Lilburn, GA, were chosen from more than 100 entries.

The competition will be streamed live on Ustream.com for online voting, and concertgoers may vote by text message. [See Lewis' entry here.](#)

The winner (and a friend) will be flown to New York for a night to see the Atlanta Symphony perform at Carnegie Hall on Oct. 30.

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