

COMPETITION RULES

Article 1

Young Pianists Competition is organized by the Niš School of Music. The Competition will be held from April 1 to April 4, 2023.

Article 2

The Competition includes the following disciplines: PIANO SOLO, PIANO DUO (piano four hands or two pianos).

Article 3

The Competition is a public event organized as an international musical manifestation open to full-time and part-time students of primary and secondary music schools and similar music institutions, as well as music academy students from Serbia and abroad.

Article 4

Contestants will be judged by an expert Jury composed of eminent pianists and pedagogues. Any Jury member who has taught a contestant or who is related or connected in any way to the contestant will not be allowed to judge that contestant.

Article 5

Contestants must agree to abide by the Competition Rules and Competition Propositions. The Jury members can stop any contestant who is still playing when the allotted time is up, in which case the Jury's evaluations will be based solely on the program performed until the moment the contestant was stopped.

Article 6

The decision of the Jury is final and can not be appealed.

Article 7

The number of prizes to be awarded to contestants is not limited.

Article 8

Ranking of the contestants will be determined by adding the scores written by the Jury on evaluation sheets and calculating the average of the scores. The maximum score is 100 points, out of which the following prizes will be awarded:

1st PRIZE	90 - 100 points
2nd PRIZE	80 - 89,99 points
3rd PRIZE	70 - 79,99 points
PRAISE	60 - 69,99 points

Article 9

In case several contestants in piano solo discipline get the same number of scores, priority will be given to the younger. In case several piano duos get the same number of scores, decision about the rank order will be made by the Jury.

Article 10

In piano solo discipline, contestants must perform the whole programme from memory, whereas in piano duo discipline, contestants are allowed to perform from the list.

Article 11

Category in piano duo discipline is determined based on the age of the older candidate.

Article 12

Contestants bear the travel and accommodation expenses themselves.

Article 13

Competition founder reserves the right to use and publish photos, audio and video recordings for the purpose of promoting the Competition.



Music School Nis

16th INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION OF YOUNG PIANISTS NIS

01. - 04. April 2023.



COMPETITION PROPOSITIONS

PIANO SOLO

Pre-category (born in 2014 and younger)
up to 5 minutes. -free choice programme.

Category I (born in 2012 and younger)
up to 8 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category II (born in 2010 and younger)
up to 12 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category III (born in 2008 and younger)
up to 15 minutes. -one movement of a sonata (sonata form), variations or the first movement of piano concerto. -one or more free choice pieces.

Category IV (born in 2006 and younger)
up to 18 minutes. -one movement of a sonata (sonata form), variations or the first movement of piano concerto. -one or more free choice pieces.

Category V (born in 2004 and younger)
up to 20 minutes. -one movement of a sonata (sonata form), variations or the first movement of piano concerto. -one or more free choice pieces.

Category VI (I and II year music academy students) up to 25 minutes. -one movement of a sonata (sonata form), variations or the first movement of piano concerto. -one or more free choice pieces.

Category VII (III and IV year music academy students) up to 25 minutes. -one movement of a sonata (sonata form), variations or the first movement of piano concerto. -one or more free choice pieces.

Category VIII (music academy students – master, specialised, doctoral studies) up to 30 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

NOTICE – Category III, IV, V, VI, VII and VIII – Competition programme must contain at least two pieces from different music periods.

PIANO DUOS

Category I (1st and 2nd grade elementary music school)
up to 5 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category II (3rd and 4th grade elementary music school)
up to 10 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category III (5th and 6th grade elementary music school)
up to 15 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category IV (1st and 2nd grade secondary music school)
up to 15 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category V (3rd and 4th grade secondary music school)
up to 20 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category VI (I and II year music academy students) up to 25 minutes. -free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category VII (III and IV year music academy students) up to 25 minutes. - free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

Category VIII (music academy students – master, specialised, doctoral studies) up to 30 minutes. - free choice programme of two or more pieces from different music periods.

COMPETITION DONATION

Discipline: **Piano solo**

Pre-category and category I 25 €
Category II and III 30 €
Category IV and V 40 €
Category VI, VII and VIII 50 €

Discipline: **Piano duo**

Category I, II and III40€ (20€ per person)
Category IV, V, VI, VII and VIII... 50€ (25€ per person)

Donation amount is to be paid by money order made out to the following giro account:

Muzicka skola Nis **840-2226760-44** with the indication “16th International Competition of Young Pianists Nis”.

Candidates coming from abroad are given the possibility to pay the donation amount upon their arrival at the competition. Donation amount is non-refundable in case the candidate cancels or fails to attend the competition.

Applications should be sent online to:

mladipijanistinis@gmail.com

Application forms can be downloaded from the school's website: **www.muzickanis.org**

Applicants must submit the following documents:

- a photocopy of applicant's birth certificate
- a proof of payment of the entry fee

Application deadline for entry is March 1, 2023.

The most successful contestant at the competition will be awarded a special prize: the title of

LAUREATE OF THE COMPETITION.

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