



Rochester Music Guild Scholarship Competition

Preliminaries – March 25, 2017
Finals – March 26, 2017

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ABOUT THE COMPETITION

The annual Scholarship Competition serves as a platform for musical excellence. It aims to develop performing skills, to improve musical standards, and to identify potential musical talents by providing the opportunity for young musicians to perform in a competitive situation. The Music Guild annually awards multiple scholarships totaling approximately \$9750. Cash awards in each age and instrument category (piano, strings, brass/woodwinds, voice) are to be used to further musical education.

MUSIC CAMP SCHOLARSHIP

This year the Rochester Music Guild will award \$1500 in Camp Scholarship(s) for talented, highly-motivated student(s) to attend a music camp to further his or her musical development. Applicants must be in grades 10-12. The winner(s) will be chosen from the Senior Division Finalists. Go to the Rochester Music Guild website (see Camp Scholarship) for more information.

MASTER CLASSES

There is an optional Master Class offered after the Preliminary Competitions on March 25, 2017. Each student will have the opportunity to participate in a one-hour Master Class led by a professional adjudicator with a small group of students in their division and level. We encourage all students to sign up for a Master Class.

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

Piano

Junior Division – Grades 7-9
Senior Division – Grades 10-12

Brass/Woodwinds

Junior Division – Grades 7-9
Senior Division – Grades 10-12

Strings

Junior Division – Grades 7-9
Senior Division – Grades 10-12

Voice

Senior Division – Grades 9-12

DATES & LOCATIONS

Preliminary Competition: Saturday, March 25, 2017
Christ United Methodist Church

Final Competition: Sunday, March 26, 2017
Christ United Methodist Church

Music Camp Competition: Sunday, March 26, 2017
Christ United Methodist Church

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Senior Division:

Piano, Strings, Brass/Woodwinds, Voice

1st Place \$600
2nd Place \$500
3rd Place \$400

Junior Division:

Piano, Strings, Brass/Woodwinds

1st Place \$300
2nd Place \$250
3rd Place \$200

Senior Division: Camp Scholarship

Award(s) \$1500

WINNERS' RECITAL

The Winners' Recital will be held Friday, May 5, 2017 at Christ United Methodist Church, 400 5th Avenue SW, Rochester. The recital begins at 7:00 pm and all winners are expected to perform. This special celebration for scholarship winners, their families, teachers, friends, and the public includes a reception following the recital. Winners may be invited to perform at the Rochester Music Guild annual meeting held in the spring.

ELIGIBILITY

All young musicians (grades 7-12) who live within a 50-mile driving distance of Rochester may compete. No past 1st-Place winner in a category may compete again in the same category, but must wait until they qualify for the next older category in order to compete.

REQUIREMENTS FOR PERFORMANCE

Specific requirements for each instrument are listed on the Rochester Music Guild website.

MINIMUM APPLICANTS REQUIRED

A minimum of seven applicants in a category is required for both Preliminary and Final Rounds to be held. For categories of six or fewer applicants, students will compete on Saturday only, and winners will be chosen on that day. Based on adjudicator recommendation, the Rochester Music Guild reserves the right to award fewer than three scholarships in that category. If fewer than five applications are received for a category, we reserve the right to cancel. In the event of cancellation, applicants will be notified and fees will be refunded.

APPLICATIONS & FEE PAYMENT

This year all applications must be submitted on-line. Payments can be made by PayPal (preferred method) or by check. Go to our website at www.rochestermusicguild.org/scholarship-competition to electronically submit an application. A link to PayPal is located on the main Scholarship Competition page.

Paying by check? Send check payable to Rochester Music Guild to:

Pamela Haase • 2636 Westridge Lane NW • Rochester, MN 55901

APPLICATION DEADLINE & FEES

Competition and 1-Hour Master Class	\$45 – online application by February 4, 2017
Competition only (No Master Class).	\$35 – online application by February 4, 2017

A \$15 late fee must be added if the online application is submitted between Sunday, February 5, 2017, and Saturday, February 18, 2017. **No applications will be accepted after midnight February 18, 2017.**

Entrants will receive an email acknowledgement within a week of submittal. Notification of audition times will be emailed approximately two weeks before the Preliminary Competition. Contact us if you have not received an email notification by March 11, 2017.

MORE INFORMATION: scholarship@rochestermusicguild.org

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