

CHAMPION'S KEYBOARD ONLINE 2023

Rules

- 1) PianoFriends Association announces the 3rd edition of the "**Champion's Keyboard Online**" International Competition.
- 2) Registration will open on July 25th 2023 and will close at midnight on October 18th 2023.
- 3) Pianists of all nationalities, aged between 5 and 21, will be admitted to the Competition.
- 4) The competition is divided into 7 sections:
 - a) Bach and/or Scarlatti/Haendel
 - b) Mozart and/or Haydn and/or Clementi
 - c) Beethoven and/or Schubert
 - d) Chopin and/or Liszt
 - e) Schumann and/or Brahms and/or Mendelssohn
 - f) Debussy and/or Ravel and/or Faurè
 - g) Rachmaninov and/or Prokofiev and/or Ciaikovsky
- 5) Each section will be divided into two categories:
 - A Category: up to 14 years old
 - Category B: up to 21 years old

Candidates will be able to enroll in a maximum of three sections in their category. Age is calculated on the date of enrollment.

6) Participation

Competitors must insert in the registration form the link to the video of their performance (one for each chosen section), which will be uploaded online by the competitor on the Youtube platform **in "Unlisted" mode**.

- Video characteristics: **a single file in 1080 HD format, shot in landscape view**, without any editing within a work, with fixed shooting of a single camera, which allows the vision of hands and face. Individual works must be recorded without interruption, however different works can be recorded separately and merged into one file.
- The link to the video must be sent together with the application form.
- The video must contain a recording made in 2023.

7) Jury's activities and announcement of the winners.

The Jury's activities will take place from October 21st to October 28th, 2023.

The results of the Jury's activities are expected on Sunday 29th of October 2023, with the online proclamation of the winners and viewing of the videos sent by the finalists which will be published on the Association's website - www.pianofriends.eu - and on the PianoFriends Facebook page.

All participants will be sent their diploma by e-mail.

8) Programs

A Category: program lasting up to 15 minutes.

B Category: program lasting up to 30 minutes

9) Prizes

A Category

Bach/Scarlatti € 200

Mozart/Haydn/Clementi € 200

Beethoven/Schubert € 200

Chopin/Liszt € 200

Schumann/Brahms/

Mendelssohn €200

Debussy/Ravel/Faurè €200

Rachmaninov/Prokofiev/

Ciaikovsky €200

B Category

Bach/Scarlatti € 400

Mozart/Haydn/Clementi € 400

Beethoven/Schubert € 400

Chopin/Liszt € 400

Schumann/Brahms/

Mendelsohn € 400

Debussy/Ravel/Faurè € 400

Rachmaninov/Prokofiev/

Ciaikovsky € 400

10) How to register

Registration deadline: 18 October 2023

Candidates will be able to register for the competition by filling in the registration form on the Association's website: www.pianofriends.eu – applications sent after the deadline may exceptionally be accepted at the unquestionable judgment of the Artistic Director.

On the registration form, candidates must indicate the chosen section, the title and duration of the compositions that will be performed in the video. In case of participation in more than one section, a registration will be required for each section.

11) Social contribution and registration for the Competition

The registration fee shall be paid by bank transfer to the following bank account in the name of the Pianofriends Association:

IBAN IT02M0306909606100000069651

BIC/ SWIFT BCI TIT MM

Banca Intesa - Filiale di Milano

Piazza Paolo Ferrari 10 - 20121 Milano

Or with Paypal with direct payment to the Pianofriends account (in this case each fee must be increased by 4 euros for collection costs).

A Category €50 for each section (plus 4 euro if you use Paypal)

B Category €70 for each section (plus 4 euros if you use Paypal)

The reason for the payment for the first round must contain the words "**Champion's Keyboard Competition Contribution 2023**", the surname of the candidate and the category.

In case of non-payment of the fee, the registration will not be considered valid. The registration fee is non-refundable except in the event of cancellation of the competition.

12) Scores and Diplomas

Competitors with a score of no less than 98/100 will be awarded the Absolute First Prize with Diploma

Competitors with a score of at least 95/100 will be awarded the First Prize Diploma

Competitors with a score of no less than 90/100 will be awarded the Second Prize Diploma

Competitors with a score of not less than 85/100 will be awarded the Third Prize Diploma

Competitors with a score of no less than 80/100 will be awarded a certificate of merit

All other competitors will be awarded a certificate of participation.

13) The decisions of the jury are final.

14) The jury reserves the right not to award prizes if it does not deem any candidate worthy.

- 15) Pianofriends reserves the right to use the videos provided by the candidates in journalism, radio, television, social media and the web. The candidates have no right to make any claim or request towards Pianofriends and/or the production and broadcasting bodies.
- 16) For underage candidates, a release signed by a parent or guardian authorizing the Secretariat to process personal data, including the dissemination of photographic, audio and video material, must be presented. The text of the disclaimer is provided in the registration documents on the pianofriends.eu website.
- 17) The candidates awarded in the "Champion's Keyboard Online" International Competition undertake in the future to use the title actually issued by the jury. Any abuses will be prosecuted according to the law.
- 18) The jury is made up of eminent artists of Italian and foreign nationality.
- 19) Registration for the Competition implies unconditional acceptance of these Regulations, as well as the right of the Artistic and Organizational Direction to make changes to the same.
- 20) For any dispute, the rules in Italian will prevail and the Court of Milan will have jurisdiction.