



# Arizona Musicfest

## CHAMBER ENSEMBLE COMPETITION RULES, 2022

Competition Date: April 3, 2022

### Application Details:

1. Application Due Date: March 7, 2022 ([azmusicfest.org/competitions](http://azmusicfest.org/competitions))
2. Application Fee \$60 per ensemble.
3. Ensembles must be made up of Arizona residents.
4. Performers may be no younger than 12 and no older than 18 on the date of the competition.
5. Early submission is required. It is possible that the number of available slots for competitors will be filled before the end of the application submission period. Any additional entrants who apply within the submission period for whom there is no slot will be placed on a waiting list. If no slot becomes available, the applicant will be informed and entry fee returned.
6. No application refunds will be given in the event of performer withdrawal.

### Music Details:

1. Music chosen for the competition must be standard literature chosen from the Baroque, Classical, Romantic, or Contemporary periods. Simplified versions are not acceptable.
2. Ensembles may perform 1 or 2 selections that total no more than 15'.
3. Ensembles will receive 15' of warm-up time prior to their competition time.
4. One piano will be provided; all other performers must bring their own instruments. We ask that performers provide their own page turner, if needed.
5. Ensembles must provide an original and two copies of the piece(s) they will perform. The score(s) must have measures numbered and cuts marked (if any) so judges may use them as reference during the performance. All music will be returned directly after the ensemble's performance.
  - o If your music is in the public domain, the score should be clearly marked "Public Domain" or a cover sheet indicating that should be included.
6. Music must be performed without a conductor.

### Location Details:

1. The competition will be held at Arizona Musicfest: 7950 E Thompson Peak Pkwy. Scottsdale, AZ 85255
2. Ensembles will receive an Arrival Time that is 15-minutes before their scheduled Warm-Up time. Please plan to arrive no later than your assigned Arrival Time.

### Adjudication Details:

1. Judges will stop ensembles if their performance exceeds the competition time limits. There is no penalty if an ensemble needs to be stopped for this reason.
2. Judges may elect to award 'Excellent' and 'Superior' ratings to students demonstrating high levels of artistry in their performances. Ratings will only be awarded with unanimous recommendation from the committee.
3. Prizes are awarded at the end of the competition to competitors who display the highest level of artistic excellence.
4. Judges have the option to withhold prizes; their decisions are final.
5. Ensembles will receive judges' comments within a week of the adjudication date.



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## Prize Details:

1. Standout ensembles may be awarded cash prizes: The First Prize is \$450, Second is \$350, and Third is \$200.
2. Awarded ensembles will be invited to perform in the Young Musicians Concert Series in the MIM Music Theater.
3. Awarded ensembles may receive additional performance opportunities as they are announced.



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