



Arizona Musicfest

STRINGS, HARP, AND GUITAR COMPETITION RULES, 2020

Competition Dates: March 21, 2020

Application Details:

1. **Application Due Date: February 17, 2019 (azmusicfest.org/competitions)**
2. Competitors must be Arizona residents.
3. Students may be no younger than 12 and no older than 18 on the date of the competition.
4. Early submission is advised. 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.
5. No application refunds will be given in the event of applicant 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. Music must be memorized.
3. Accompanied pieces must be performed with an accompanist.
4. Competitors must provide their own instrument and make arrangements for their own accompanist. If assistance finding an accompanist is needed, please email competition@azmusicfest.org.
5. Competitors 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 competitor's performance. All music will be returned directly after the competitor's performance.
6. 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.

Division Details:

Divisions are determined by grade level, and each division has different requirements regarding the number of pieces to perform and the amount of time in which they perform. Please see below:

Division	Number of Pieces	Warm-Up Duration	Performance Duration
I (Grades 7 & 8)	1 or 2	10 minutes	7 minutes
II (Grades 9 & 10)	1 or 2	10 minutes	10 minutes
III (Grades 11 & 12)	2	15 minutes	15 minutes

Location Details:

1. The competition will be held at La Casa de Cristo Lutheran Church: 6300 E Bell Rd. Scottsdale, AZ 85254
2. Competitors 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.

Prize Details:

1. Standout competitors from each Division may be awarded cash prizes in the amounts detailed below.
2. Awarded competitors will be invited to perform in the Young Musicians Concert Series in the MIM Music Theater.
3. Awarded competitors may receive additional performance opportunities as they are announced.

Division	First Prize	Second Prize	Third Prize
I (Grades 7 & 8)	\$200	\$100	\$50
II (Grades 9 & 10)	\$350	\$200	\$100
III (Grades 11 & 12)	\$450	\$350	\$200

Adjudication Details:

1. Judges will stop competitors if their performance exceeds the competition time limits.
2. Prizes are awarded at the end of each division to competitors who display the highest level of artistic excellence.
3. Judges have the option to withhold prizes; their decisions are final.

Questions? Contact us at competition@azmusicfest.org