

Young Talents Competition
May 27th -28th, 2023

Parma (PR) - Italy



Rules

Art. 1 Competition enrollment

The competition is part of the Paganini Guitar Festival and is open to all musicians of all nationalities. The competition will be taking place at “Palazzo Marchi” - via Repubblica, 57 - Parma (Italy) on May 27th-28th, 2023

Art. 2 Sections and categories

All rounds will be open to the public. Sections and categories will be arranged as following:

- **Solo competition (Guitar)**

May 27th, 2023 starting at 2 p.m.

D Category: born from 2011

E Category: born from 2007 to 2010

May 27th, 2023 starting at 10 a.m.

F Category: born from 2003 to 2006

- **Middle School (solo competition, guitar)**

May 28th, 2023 starting at 9 a.m.

A Category: first year class - 4th grade

B Category: second year class - 5th grade

C Category: third year class - 6th grade

- **Chamber music competition:**

May 28th, 2023 starting at 9 a.m.

G Category: groups from 2 to 6 musicians with at least one guitar (average age under 18)

H Category: Middle school guitar ensembles from 8 to 25 musicians

I Category: High school guitar ensembles from 8 to 25 musicians

In the solo competition D-E-F categories participants are allowed to enter a higher age category.

In H and I categories, apart from the guitar players, only two other players with different instruments will be allowed in each ensemble between 8 and 16 participants; four players with different instruments in ensembles between 17 and 25 participants.

Neither the outright winners of a previous edition in solo competition nor winning groups in the chamber music competition can enroll with the same ensemble or for the same category.

It's not possible to apply for both Young Talents and International Competition

Art. 3 Registration fees

- Middle school (Solo competition, guitar): A, B, C Category: € 20
- Solo competition (Guitar) D, E, F Category: € 40
- Chamber music competition, G-H-I Category: € 20 for each member
(A 50% discount on H and I Category registration fees will be granted to students participating to the Paganini Youth Guitar Orchestra. Information on www.paganinifestival.com)

Art. 4 The Jury

The Jury consist of conservatory professors, music schools teachers and preeminent musicians

Art. 5 Programs

- **Middle school (Solo competition, guitar), in one round*:**
A Category: free program - maximum duration: 4 minutes
B Category: free program - maximum duration: 6 minutes
C Category: free program - maximum duration: 8 minutes
- **Solo competition, in one round*:**
D Category: free program - maximum duration: 6 minutes
E Category: free program - maximum duration: 8 minutes
F Category: free program, including at least one Ghiribizzo by N.Paganini, from “43 Ghiribizzi” M.S.43 - maximum duration of the round: 12 minutes
- **Chamber music competition, in one round*:**
G-H-I Category: free program: maximum duration 8 minutes

** Only as free program transcriptions will be admitted.*

Art. 6 Scores

The point system is expressed in cents. Participants with a score not less than 95/100 will be assigned the 1st prize. Participants with a score not less than 90/100 will be assigned the 2nd prize. Participants with a score not less than 85/100 will be assigned the 3rd prize. The outright winner will be the participant with the highest score not less than 98/100 within first prizes. The decision of the Jury is not subject to appeal.

Prizes may not be awarded at the Jury's discretion.

Outright winner's prizes cannot be shared. First, second and third prizes could be assigned to one or more participant at the Jury's discretion.

Results will be announced daily during the award giving ceremonies.

Art. 7 Certificates, diplomas and prizes

MIDDLE SCHOOL (Solo competition, guitar)

• A Category

First prize: Certificate of merit, strings and music accessories, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Second prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Third prize: Certificate of merit.

• B Category

First prize: Certificate of merit, strings and music accessories, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Second prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Third prize: Certificate of merit.

• C Category

First prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Second prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Third prize: Certificate of merit.

SOLO COMPETITION (Guitar)

• D Category

Outright winner prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories and Music book selection by Edizioni Curci worth € 100

First prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Second prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Third prize: Certificate of merit.

• E Category

Outright winner prize:

Certificate of merit

One N400 Guitar offered by Altamira Guitars

Music book selection by Edizioni Curci worth € 100

Strings and music accessories

First prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Second prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Third prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Curci

• **F Category**

Outright winner prize:

Certificate of merit

“Marta Storci” grant worth € 300

One N500 Guitar offered by Altamira Guitars

Music book selection by Edizioni Curci worth € 100

Strings and music accessories

First prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Second prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Sinfonica

Third prize: Certificate of merit, book selection by Edizioni Curci

CHAMBER MUSIC COMPETITION

• **G-H-I Category**

First prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories, one music book selection by Edizioni Curci

Second prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories

Third prize: Certificate of merit.

Other prizes could be added and would be published online as soon as possible

“Niccolò Paganini” special prize

(Among all solo categories)

Best execution Niccolò Paganini’s original solo music piece: grant worth € 100, offered by “Società dei Concerti” (Parma - Italy)

A certificate of attendance will be provided to all participants

Prizes may not be awarded at the Jury’s discretion.

Outright winner’s prizes cannot be shared. First, second and third prizes could be assigned to one or more participant at the Jury’s discretion.

The award giving ceremony for D-E-F categories will take place on **Saturday May 27th, 2023** starting from 6.30 p.m. at Casa della Musica in Parma (PR).

The award giving ceremony for A-B-C-G-H-I categories will take place on **Sunday May 28th, 2023** at Casa della Musica in Parma (PR) at the end of auditions.

Prize winners must be present at the ceremony: failing to do so will result in the loss of the prize.

Outright winner in F category will be asked to give a free-of-charge performance during the International Competition’s awarding ceremony on **Sunday May 28th, 2023** starting from 3.00 p.m. at Casa della Musica in Parma (PR)

Art. 8 Auditions

Prior to the audition all participants will have to submit to the Jury a copy of the scores of their program and an ID card or passport.

The Artistic Direction may reserve the right to modify the timetables of the auditions, due to the evolution of the pandemic or according to the ongoing regulations during the Competition. Participants will receive timely communication around the updates.

The auditions' schedule, the time and the location of the roll call will be on-line starting from May 15th, 2023.

Auditions' schedule will allow to participate to the Paganini Youth Guitar Orchestra.

Late-coming competitors may be admitted according to the final decision of the Jury before the drawing up of their category's minutes has been completed. The Jury is allowed to stop the performance in case it will exceed the time limit. Those members of the Jury who have family relationship or ongoing teaching relationships with participants must declare it and will be abstained from judging them.

Art. 9 Enrollment

Application form is available at the following link

[YOUNG TALENTS COMPETITION APPLICATION FORM](#)

Applicants must fill it in all the parts and submit it **no later than May 5th, 2023.**

Along with the applications each applicant must upload or send by email to concorso@paganinifestival.com the payment receipt of individual registration fees to be paid by bank transfer to "Società dei Concerti di Parma"

Bank name: BPER BANCA

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