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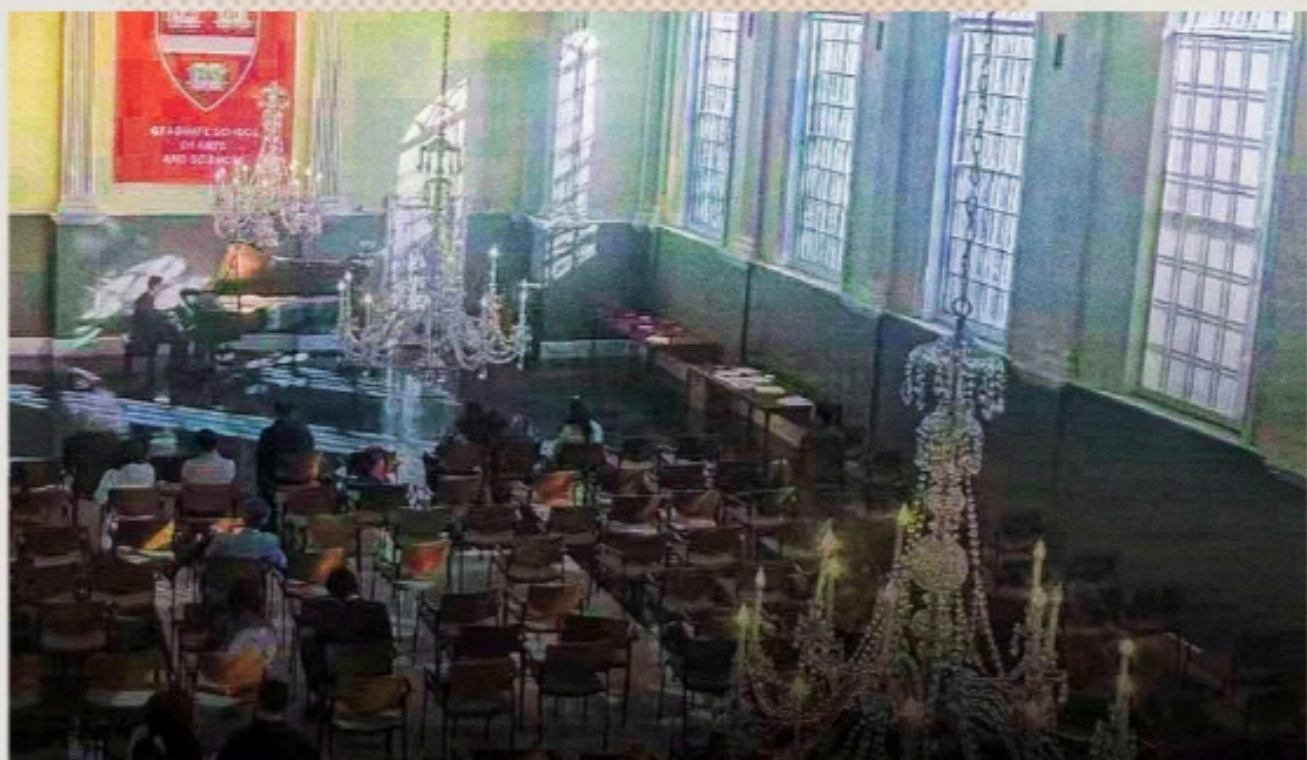
# Australia International Art Festival 2026 North American Division

## 2026 Sound of Music

Performer-Composer/Composition Winners Concert

Master Series Concert

Venue: Lehman Hall, Harvard University, Boston, Massachusetts, USA



Concert Dates  
December 20<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025





# 2026 North American Division

**-Performer-Composer/\*Composition\* Category-**

Group	Age Division	Performance Length
Group A	Ages 5-6	Under 1 minute
Group B	Ages 7-8	Under 2 minutes
Group C	Ages 9-10	Under 3 minutes
Group D	Ages 11-14	Under 5 minutes
Group E	Ages 15-17	Under 5 minutes
*Group F*	Ages 18 and up	Under 7 minutes

# Rules

## (Groups A-E Performer-Composers)

\*all applications must email the video link online to

[acumusiartcomp@gmail.com](mailto:acumusiartcomp@gmail.com) .

- 1)** All applicants must record a video performing their original piano piece, and must send the video link to the organizer's email before the deadline of November 15th. Scores are not required, but encouraged).
- 2)** In the video, please have applicant state their name, age, and original piano composition title before they perform. When submitting, please also have the subject line of the email in this format: NAME / AGE GROUP / COMPOSITION TITLE
- 3)** The video must be uploaded to Google Drive OR Youtube, please send a link that is not private and allows anybody to view.
- 4)** All pieces must be solo piano only, and all applicants are required to perform their own pieces.
- 5)** The video and audio cannot be edited or manipulated.
- 6)** The selection process will be based on both the composition and the performance abilities of the applicants. All decisions are final decisions.
- 7)** Only the selected winners will reserve the opportunity to perform their pieces at the Australia International Art Festival Winner's Concert at Harvard University.
- 8)** Contestants are encouraged to play their piece by memory, but may read the music if needed.

# Rules

## (Groups F - Composition)

**1)** Group F includes all ages 18 and above, and has no instrumental requirement as well as no specific style requirement.

**2)** Email scores to [acumusiartcomp@gmail.com](mailto:acumusiartcomp@gmail.com) before the deadline of December 1st

When submitting, please also have the subject line of the email in this format: NAME / COMPOSITION TITLE / ADULT

**3)** Recordings are encouraged, but not mandatory. MIDI is also acceptable for submissions.

**4)** Up to three winners can have their pieces performed at the Australia International Art Festival Winner's Concert at Harvard University.

(The committee reserves the right to make the decision solely based on the applicant's submitted materials.)

**5)** All decisions are final decisions.

**6)** The selected winning compositions of the music festival will be professionally recorded by world-class musicians and performed at Lehman Hall at Harvard University.

**7)** Contestants are encouraged to come in person, but it is not required. Travel fees will not be reimbursed or covered at this time.

# Awards:

## **Groups A-E (Performer-Composer):**

First prize, second prize and third prize winners (the panel may select honorable mentions) will receive the following:

**1)** Certificate of Achievement (Physical certificates will be available for the designated winners in person, and digital certificates will be emailed to those who cannot attend in person.)

\*If you are unable to come in person but still want the physical certificate, please contact the organizer directly via email at [acumusiartcomp@gmail.com](mailto:acumusiartcomp@gmail.com) .

**2)** All winners will be announced on the official website with their pictures and will be listed on various media outlets.

**3)** The selected winners will be invited to perform at Harvard University and will receive a trophy after performing at the Winner's Concert (Winners who do not show up in person will not be able to receive their trophy).

**4)** The selected winners will get professional photos taken from the Winner's Concert at Harvard University.

\*Please notice the organizer reserves the right to leave an award vacant.

# **Awards:**

## **Group F (Composition):**

First prize, second prize and third prize winners (the panel may select honorable mentions) will receive the following:

- 1)** An official certificate from the organizer with signatures from the organizer
- 2)** The winners selected to perform at Harvard University will receive a professional recording of their performance.
- 3)** The winners selected to perform at Harvard University will receive professional photos from the Winner's Concert at Harvard University

\*Please notice the organizer reserves the right to leave an award vacant.

# **Winners Announcement and Enrollment:**

## **Winners Announcement:**

1. Only winners will receive an confirmation and invitation email from the organizer.
2. All winners will be announced officially on December 20th for all groups at the Australia International Art Festival Winner's Concert.

### **\*Enrollment fee for Group A-E: \$50.**

Applicant Performance Fees (\*Only for Selected Winners who wish to perform at the Winner's Concert at Harvard University):

Group A: Ages 5-6 \$220

Group B: Ages 7-8 \$240

Group C: Ages 9-10 \$260

Group D: Ages 11-14 \$280

Group E: Ages 15-17 \$300

## **Application for Composition Competition:**

### **\*Enrollment fee for Group F is \$50.**

Group F (Adult): Ages 18 and up



# Registration QR Code



Please scan the QR code to complete the Google Form and submit the registration fee before sending your application materials to [acumusiartcomp@gmail.com](mailto:acumusiartcomp@gmail.com).