



**Friday, May 4 and Saturday, May 5, 2018**

**U. Tobe Recital Hall - Bower School of Music & the Arts – Florida Gulf Coast University**

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The 2018 FGCU/Steinway Young Artist Piano Competition will take place May 4<sup>th</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup> in the U. Tobe Recital Hall at Florida Gulf Coast University.

Students who are in grades K-12 in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry and Lee County (including those who are home-schooled) are eligible. The event will follow last year's recital format where competitors, other piano students, teachers, parents and visitors are the audience.

This year, the **Early Elementary repertoire requirements have changed**, allowing two contrasting pieces to be performed without limitation to specific eras. All applicants should review the complete competition rules. Download the rules or apply online at [www.Steinway-YAPC.com](http://www.Steinway-YAPC.com).

**The Awards Recital** will take place on **Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 PM** in the U.Tobe Recital Hall, featuring winner performances and presentation of trophies and scholarships. All participants and music lovers are encouraged to attend both the Competition and the Awards Recital.

All application forms must be complete and submitted by **Friday, March 9, 2018**, and include a \$35 application fee payable to the **Steinway Piano Society**. After March 10<sup>th</sup>, applications will be accepted until Friday, March 16, 2018, with a late registration fee of \$50. Contestants performance times will be announced after the application deadline.

Please direct any questions to [competition@Steinway-YAPC.com](mailto:competition@Steinway-YAPC.com).

Thank you for your interest and we hope you will be a part of this exciting event. We look forward to seeing you at the competition!

Dr. Michael Baron, Competition Director  
Joanne A. Smith, Competition Chairperson



*We are not responsible for incomplete or late submissions or errors in the application. Please read the complete rules and check your application carefully before submitting.*

# 2018 FGCU/Steinway Young Artist Competition Rules and Regulations

**Eligibility:** Student pianists currently enrolled in grades K-12 in Charlotte, Collier, Glades, Hendry, and Lee County public or private schools, or county residents who are home schooled.

**Entry categories:**

<b>Early Elementary</b>	Ages 5-8	<b>Junior</b>	Ages 12-14
<b>Late Elementary</b>	Ages 9-11	<b>Senior</b>	Ages 15-18

- *Category placement is based on age as of **May 4, 2018**.*
- *First place winners from the previous years must advance to the next category until they reach the age of the category to which they were advanced.*
- *If a student wins first place twice in the Senior Division or is the Overall Winner twice, they are retired from the competition.*

**Repertoire:** **Early Elementary** competitors must memorize and perform **two** contrasting pieces of age appropriate repertoire.

**Late Elementary through Senior** competitors must memorize and perform **two** pieces of standard published solo repertoire by master composers.

- The first piece must represent the Baroque or Classical era (1600-1825).
- The 2nd piece must be from the Romantic, Impressionist or Contemporary eras (1825-present).

Composer dates and era classifications are found on the MTNA website.  
<https://www.mtna.org/downloads/Engage/ComposerClassifications.pdf>

**Scores:** An original copy of each piece must be provided at the competition with measures numbered at the beginning of every line.

No teaching or method pieces, no cuts, no photocopies, no computer-generated scores.

Repeats are allowed, at the discretion of the teacher, if within time limits.

**Time Limits:**

<b>Early Elementary</b>	5 minutes	<b>Junior</b>	12 minutes
<b>Late Elementary</b>	8 minutes	<b>Senior</b>	15 minutes

*Performers who exceed their time limit will be stopped.*

*The recital hall and/or practice rooms at the Bower School of Music are **not available** for warm-up on the day of the competition or anytime before.*

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**Competition:** Competitors will be notified of their performance recital time via e-mail by April 20, 2018.

**Dress Code:** Concert attire is expected for both the Competition and the Awards Recital.

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**Notification:** Teachers of finalists will be contacted by phone following the competition on Saturday, May 5, 2018 and told which piece their student(s) will perform at the Awards Recital.

It is the teacher's responsibility to notify their student(s).

All finalists are required to perform at the Awards Recital.

**Awards Recital:** **Date:** Sunday, May 6, 2018, 3:00 PM  
**Place:** U. Tobe Recital Hall, FGCU Bower School of Music.  
Presentation of all awards and prizes will take place at the conclusion of the recital.  
THIS CONCERT IS FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

**Performances:** Winners may be invited to perform for the Steinway Piano Society members and patrons during the upcoming season. Date and time will be announced.

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