



Saturday, April 27, 2024

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

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The 2024 FGCU/Steinway Piano Society Young Artist Piano Competition will take place Saturday, April 27 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 a recital format where competitors, other piano students, teachers, parents, and visitors are the audience.

All applicants should review the complete competition rules. Download the rules or apply online at www.YAPC.SteinwayNaples.com.

The Awards Recital will take place on Saturday May 11th at 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 29,~~ **Friday, April 12**, and include a \$40 application fee payable to the **Steinway Piano Society**. *Late applications will be accepted only until Friday, April 5, Friday, April 19, with a late fee of \$50.* Contestant performance times will be announced after the final application deadline.

Note: Only legally licensed scores will be accepted for competition. Students will not be allowed to take part in the competition if their music does not comply with these regulations. See the "Scores" section of the rules for complete details.

Please direct any questions to mseal@fgcu.edu.

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
Mary W Seal, 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.

2024 Young Artist Piano Competition Rules

- 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:**
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| Early Elementary | Ages 5-8 | Junior | Ages 12-14 |
| Late Elementary | Ages 9-11 | Senior | Ages 15-18 |
- *Category placement is based on age as of **April 27, 2024**.*
 - *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:** A **legal, licensed published edition** (no copies) of each piece must be provided at the competition check-in table.
- Measures must be numbered at the beginning of each line.**
- No teaching or method pieces, cuts, or photocopies are allowed. By entering the competition, you agree to abide by all Federal Copyright Laws. Specific questions about specific scores may be sent to the Competition Chair, Mary Seal, at mseal@fgcu.edu no later than April 17, 2024.
- Students will not be allowed to take part in the competition if their music does not comply with these regulations.
- Repeats are allowed, at the discretion of the teacher, if within time limits.
- Time Limits:**
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| Early Elementary | 5 minutes | Junior | 12 minutes |
| Late Elementary | 8 minutes | Senior | 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 any time before.*
- Application:** Completed, correct application forms must be submitted with the \$40.00 application fee payable to the **Steinway Piano Society** by ~~Friday, March 29~~ **Friday, April 12**. Late applications will be accepted until ~~Friday, April 5~~ **Friday, April 19** with a fee of \$50.00. **No applications will be accepted after that date.** There are no refunds once an application is submitted.
- Competition:** Competitors will be notified of their competition performance time via e-mail by April 23th.
- Dress Code:** Concert attire is expected for both the Competition and the Awards Recital.
- We are not responsible for incomplete or late submissions or errors in the application.
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Notification: Teachers of finalists will be informed via email or phone which piece their student(s) will perform at the Awards Recital following the competition.

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

All finalists are required to perform at the Awards Recital.

Awards Recital: **Saturday, May 11, 2024 - Time TBA**

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.

Awards

	First	Second	Third
Senior	\$500	\$250	\$125
Junior	\$300	\$150	\$75
Late Elementary	\$200	\$100	\$50
Early Elementary	\$200	\$100	\$50

The Overall Winner also receives an additional \$250 Scholarship Award

Performances: Winners may also 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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