

10th Szeged Altamira International Guitar Competition

Organizers: Szeged International Guitar Festival, Association Szó-Tér, University of Szeged Béla Bartók Faculty of Arts

Date: 6-8th of June, 2024

Venue: University of Szeged Béla Bartók Faculty of Arts (Hungary, 6722 Szeged, Tisza Lajos krt. 79-81.)

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COMPETITION RULES

Requirements for the application:

The competition is open for creative classical guitarists, according to the following categories:

- Baby category: born in 2016 and younger competitors
- Junior category: born in 2014 and younger competitors
- First category: born in 2012 and younger competitors
- Second category: born in 2010 and younger competitors
- Third category: born in 2008 and younger competitors
- Third "X" category*: born in 2008 and younger competitors
- Fourth category: born in 2006 and younger competitors
- Fourth "X" category*: born in 2006 and younger competitors
- Fifth category: born in 2004 and younger competitors
- Fifth "X" category*: born in 2004 and younger competitors
- Sixth category: born in 2002 and younger competitors
- Seventh category: born in 1998 and younger competitors
- Pro category: no age limitation



*The Third "X", Fourth "X" and Fifth "X" categories are reserved only for competitors studying at high school or at university of music. The categories marked without "X" are open to everyone, but competitors studying at high school or at university of music cannot apply for them.

Baby, Junior, First, Second, Third, Third "X", Fourth, Fourth "X", Fifth and Fifth "X" category:

The contest has only one round, live in Szeged (Hungary).

Sixth, Seventh and Pro category:

The contest is divided into two rounds, the first one is online, the second happens live in Szeged (Hungary). The jury will evaluate the uploaded videos and choose the finalists who have to play their program live on the spot.

Rating system:

Competitors can earn a maximum of 100 points during the competition.

Program:

Baby, Junior, First, Second, Third, Third "X", Fourth, Fourth "X", Fifth and Fifth "X" category:

- Baby category: performance time is maximum 2 minutes
- Junior category: performance time is maximum 3 minutes
- First category: performance time is maximum 5 minutes
- Second category: performance time is maximum 7 minutes
- Third category: performance time is maximum 9 minutes
- Third "X" category: performance time is maximum 9 minutes
- Fourth category: performance time is maximum 12 minutes
- Fourth "X" category: performance time is maximum 12 minutes
- Fifth category: performance time is maximum 15 minutes
- Fifth "X" category: performance time is maximum 15 minutes



- The timing of performance will be evaluated within a tolerance time rate of one minute.
- The program selection is free.
- All compositions must be played by memory.
- The jury evaluates on a scale of 1 to 100.
- **The competition organizer reserves the right that if the number of entrants (any category) does not reach 5 persons, then the competition of that category will not be held.** In this case, the entry fee will be refunded upon request.

Sixth and Seventh category:

1st round:

- Every player have to upload a video of minimum 7, maximum 10 minutes, recorded with one single shot (uncut) to a file share platform (for ex. Google Drive, Dropbox, Fileshare, WeTransfer) and share with the organizers of the competition.
- The program selection is free: the total program should have at least 2 different styles.
- The composers' names and titles of the compositions must be included in the application and attached to the video file.
- All compositions must be played by memory.

2nd round:

- Minimum 10, maximum 15 minutes of program to be played live on the spot.
- The program selection is free: the total program should have at least 2 different styles.
- All compositions must be played by memory.

IMPORTANT: The program has to be different in the 2 rounds!

Pro category:

1st round:

- Every player have to upload a video of minimum 10, maximum 15 minutes, recorded with one single shot (uncut) on a file share platform (for ex. Google Drive, Dropbox, Fileshare, WeTransfer) and share with the organizers of the competition.
- The program selection is free: the total program should have at least 2 different styles.



- The composers' names and titles of the compositions must be included in the application and attached to the video file.
- All compositions must be played by memory.

2nd round:

- Minimum 15, maximum 20 minutes of program to be played live on the spot.
- The program selection is free: the total program should have at least 3 different styles.
- All compositions must be played by memory.

IMPORTANT: The program has to be different in the 2 rounds!

Operation of the jury:

- Participants are evaluated by scoring, which are summed up by averaging all of the jury member's individual points.
- The jury is entitled to interrupt the performance in case of exceeding the specified playing time, and evaluate the performance based on the listened part.
- The performance of each candidate will be evaluated.

Application requirements and deadlines:

The deadline of application and uploading the videos: **28th of April, 2024**

- The application fee:
 - ***Baby, Junior, First, Second, Third, Third "X", Fourth, Fourth "X", Fifth and Fifth "X", Sixth and Seventh category:*** **30€**
 - ***Pro category:*** **60€**
- The fee must be sent by bank (wire) transfer to the organizer's account:
 - Name: Szó-Tér Egyesület
 - Address: Hungary, 6726 Szeged, Kockaház utca 1.
 - Name of the Bank: CIB Bank Zrt. (6720 Szeged, Kiss Menyhért u. 1)



- IBAN transferring from Hungary:
HU94-1070-0433-4763-9209-5200-0001
- IBAN transferring from other countries:
HU65-1070-0433-4763-9209-5010-0002
- BIC (Swift): CIB HHUHB
- In the note section write please: Szeged IGF Guitar Competition |
Performer's name
- Applications must be sent via Google form: <https://forms.gle/cGZfzDfHhtzXcZAP9>
 - The application should include:
 - The proof (a copy or photo of the bank statement) of the application fee transferred.
 - A photocopy of a personal document (identity card, passport) or birth certificate.
 - Certificate of school attendance in case of categories marked "X".

Awards (gift packages by our supporters - guitar accessories, strings, scores, vouchers):

- Baby, Junior, First and Second category:
 - 1st place: 50€
 - 2nd place: 30€
 - 3rd place: 20€
- Third, Third "X", Fourth, Fourth "X", Fifth and Fifth "X" category:
 - 1st place: 75€
 - 2nd place: 40€
 - 3rd place: 30€
- Sixth and Seventh category:
 - 1st place: 100€
 - 2nd place: 60€
 - 3rd place: 40€



For the winners of the Baby, Junior, First, Second, Third, Third "X", Fourth, Fourth "X", Fifth and Fifth "X", Sixth and Seventh category:

Invitation as a performer to the next Szeged International Guitar Festival and passive participation.

- Pro category
 - 1st place: **A high value guitar and an invitation to the next Szeged IGF as a performer.**
 - 2nd place: Gift package (value 400€).
 - 3rd place: Gift package (value 100€).

Special awards:

- The most successful teacher will be awarded with a free passive participation to the next Szeged International Guitar Festival.
- The most successful school will be awarded with the opportunity to participate all of the institute's guitar teachers with free passive participation at the next Szeged International Guitar Festival.

Miscellaneous:

- The organizer reserves the right to use the photos and videos taken during the competition to promote the competition. The photos may show up in the media, on the official website, on the Facebook and Instagram pages of the festival, on our YouTube channel, posters, flyers, etc.
- In case of withdrawal of application, the organizers of the competition will not be able to refund the entry fee.
- The teacher who is applying 2 or more participants to the competition will achieve a free passive participation attending all events of the festival (masterclasses, concerts, lectures).
- **Contest participants can take part in this year's Szeged International Guitar Festival with a 20% discount - details and registration:**
<https://www.gitarfesztival.hu/en>.

