

Bagaduce Music

2020 YOUNG COMPOSERS COMPETITION & FESTIVAL

Categories

Entrants will fall under one of two age categories as follows:

Category I: Ages 13 and younger

Category II: Ages 14 and older

Prize Money

Three judges will evaluate each work, make written comments for each entrant, and will determine the top three entrants in each category.

Prize money will be awarded as follows:

First Place: \$250

Second Place: \$150

Third Place: \$100

Rules & Guidelines

- Each Maine student may enter only one composition using standard music notation. The composition must not have been previously entered into a competition including this one.
- The completed Entry Form, written composition, and optional recording must be received and postmarked no later than **Friday, January 31, 2020**. Mail entries to:

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Attn: Young Composers

49 South Street

Blue Hill, ME 04614

- Enter only fully developed compositions with a maximum performance length of *5 minutes*.
- All music genres are welcome including pieces for one or more instruments. Please note that submissions must be practical for human performers and their instruments.
- Submit a full written score with all individual parts *clearly identified*.
- While we do encourage entrants to seek outside review and suggestions from a mentor or teacher, we expect both the composition and the notation to be the work of the Young Composer even if software is used.
- Compositions will be judged primarily on the written scores. Audio recordings, even simple MIDI realizations saved in MP3 format, are very helpful to the judges, but recordings are optional. Audio recordings should match the submitted written score.

The Festival

Families and music teachers are welcome to attend this celebration event which will be held at the Congregational Church in Blue Hill, Maine on Saturday, April 4, 2020 from 10 am–1 pm. Participants are invited to perform their compositions by themselves or with the help of others. If additional musicians are needed to perform the composition at the Festival, the Young Composer is responsible for making all of the necessary arrangements. Full details about the Festival will be mailed to the entrants prior to the event.

NEW THIS YEAR!

We are excited to offer a free Composition Workshop for older students in the afternoon beginning at 1:00 PM at the Bagaduce Music Performance Hall which is down the street from the Bay School. The workshop is made possible by generous grants from the Maine Arts Commission and the Britton Foundation.