# **Application Form**

Minors need a parent or legal guardian to sign this form. They must include copy of the parent/legal guardian's ID, in addition to their own.

First Name	
Last Name	
Date of birth (day/month/year)	
Address	
City, Zip code, Country	
Cell. phone number (with international area code)	
E-mail address	
Category (A, B, or C)	
Program on the video (full name of composers and pieces in the order performed, duration, edition used)	
	(teacher's full name, and
institution of affiliation, is	f any)
Date	Signature

The present form must be sent on or before May 30th, 2020. Please send it to: info@associazionenapolinova.it - Attach the following:

- •wire transfer receipt of your application fee;
- •the link to your video. You can upload your video on YouTube (as "unlisted" only);
- •Chinese applicants can use YouKu, if they prefer;
- •copy of your ID (parent or legal guardian's ID, as well, if you are a minor)



Open to young pianists of any nationality One round through video link and free program

**Prizes**Scholarship Awards - Concerts

JURY MEMBERS
Vivian Li
Leonid Margarius
Antonio Pompa-Baldi

Application deadline: 30 May, 2020 Results within 20 June, 2020

# **For information:**

info@associazionenapolinova.it - http://www.associazionenapolinova.it

The World Piano E-Competition "Napolinova" 2020 is created with the goal of giving young pianists an outlet for their creativity, at a difficult time.

The pandemic has forced all of us to stay at home, and to cancel our concerts, festivals and live competitions. Young pianists continue to work hard, though, and we want to give them a chance to measure themselves and their progress. This Competition is organized by "Napolinova", a musical association engaged in the promotion of young artists through the creation of musical events for more than twenty years. Our three jury members reside in three different continents. but each is known worldwide. We will avail ourselves of their great experience and expertise, and ensure that the whole process is fair and transparent.

The complete list of applicants will be made public. Each jury member's votes will be made public after the conclusion of the event. Students of jury members cannot apply. Winners will receive wide exposure through broadcasts, social media, and even live concerts, once they can be held safely again. Fifteen scholarship prize will be awarded.

For each category, 60% of the application fees will be used for scholarship awards. The five prize-winners of each category will receive 30%, 25%, 20%, 15%, and 10% of the scholarship total, respectively.

# RULES

- 1) The 1st World Piano E-Competiton is open to young musicians of any nationality. Applicants must submit links to video files uploaded on YouTube as "unlisted" (Chinese applicants can upload on YouKu, if they prefer). Videos must be recorded after April 15th, 2020, using only one fixed camera showing the pianist's right profile and hands at all times. Videos must be unedited. The repertoire is all free choice, but time limits must be respected. There are three age categories. Younger pianists may choose to apply to a higher category. Videos can be recorded with cell phones, if a camera is not available.
- 2)Application deadline is 30 May, 2020. The application fee will be returned, minus possible bank fees, only in case the competition is cancelled, or if the contestant is found to have a continuous teacher/student relationship with a jury member, and therefore barred from competing.
- **3)**To participate, send the following four items to info@associazionenapolinova.it:
  - a) Application form b) Video Link (see above for details) c) Copy of valid ID (if minor, include ID of parent or legal guardian) **d)** Wire transfer receipt for the application fee of your category
    - Application fee must be sent via bank wire transfer to Associazione Culturale Napolinova IBAN: IT97M0335901600100000001709 - BIC BCITITMX

The above bank coordinates are complete. The above bank codes already contain information on the

specific bank and branch.

- 4)The program is free choice. Every participant will receive a certificate. Contestants must apply to ONE category only. The first FIVE ranked pianists will receive prize money for a total of 60% of the application fees received for their category (see below for details). Prize money will be sent via bank wire transfer minus bank fees, if any— to an account indicated by each prize winner, immediately after the results are announced. The complete list of participants will be available on Napolinova's website and Facebook page from May 31st, 2020.
- 5)Each jury member will receive from Napolinova links to videos, each numbered and without names, and a form on which to express a vote on a scale of 1/100. Final results will come from the sum of the three scores. In case of ties, the highest and lowest votes will be eliminated, and the middle vote will determine how to break the tie. In case the tie persists, jury members will vote again for those tied candidates only without knowing how the other jury members had scored them— but this time their vote will include decimals.
- 6)Each jury member's complete set of votes will be published on Napolinova's website and Facebook page at the conclusion of the competition.
- **7)**Each jury member will be asked to declare whether they have (or had in the past three years) a continuous relationship as teacher/student with any of the contestants. Those contestants will be excluded. and their application fee reimbursed (minus bank fee, if any).

- 8)The jury will end their work within June 15th, 2020. Results will be made public on or before June 20th, 2020. At that time, contestants who don't win a prize can choose to make their videos public, instead of unlisted. Prize winners must make their videos public.
- 9) These Rules and Regulations were prepared in Italian and English. Should there be any doubts regarding their interpretation, the Italian version shall prevail.

Application to the competition implies complete acceptance of all the rules

#### **Categories**

- A) pianists born from 01/01/2008 and younger. Video duration max 5 minutes
- B) pianists born from 01/01/2002 and younger. Video duration max 10 minutes
- C) pianists born from 01/01/1990 and younger. Video duration max 15 minutes Contestants may choose to apply to any one category, so long as they are not older than the age limit.

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Vivian Li (Xinghai Conservatory - Guangzhou, China) Leonid Margarius (Accademia "Incontri col Maestro" - Imola, Italy) Antonio Pompa-Baldi (Cleveland Institute of Music - USA)

## **Application Fees**

Cat. A: € 40 - Cat. B: € 70 - Cat. C: € 100

Applications must be received in full. Any bank fees must be paid by the sender, or the application will be deemed not valid.

### **Prizes**

- ◆First Prizes Categories A, B, and C: each winner will receive 30% of the total scholarship money for his or her category
- \*Second Prizes Categories A, B, and C: each winner will receive 25% of the total scholarship money for his or her category.
- ◆Third Prizes Categories A, B, and C: each winner will receive 20% of the total scholarship money for his or her category
- ◆Fourth Prizes Categories A, B, and C: each winner will receive 15% of the total scholarship money for his or her category.
- ◆Fifth Prizes Categories A, B, and C: each winner will receive 10% of the total scholarship money for his or her category
- ◆First Prize Winners of the Categories B and C will be invited to perform a live recital in Napoli, Italy in May 2021, as part of the XXII Napolinova Piano Festival. The performance will take place at a prestigious venue, to be chosen among the most important historical and artistic sites of Napoli (i.e. Castel Nuovo, Sala Vasari, National Archaeological Museum). The recital will be advertised to guarantee maximum exposure. If invitation is accepted, performers agree to receive no fee.
- ◆All prize winners of all categories will be awarded the chance to perform a live-streamed concert from a location of their choice. Duration will depend on their age and repertoire, but in any case total duration will not exceed 50 minutes. Prize winners may decide to record a performance instead of streaming it live. Either the live or the recorded performance will be published on the "Napolinova" Facebook page, and on the Facebook, WeChat, YouTube, or Youku platforms of the jury members.
- \*At the conclusion of the competition, contestants who do not win prizes can choose whether to make their videos public, or keep them unlisted. The winners must immediately go on YouTube or YouKu and make sure their videos' settings are switched to "public". Those videos will be posted on the "Napolinova" association's Facebook Page.