2018 PADEREWSKI YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION
The Paderewski Festival in Paso Robles announces its
Twelfth Annual Youth Piano Competition

COMPETITION AUDITIONS:
Saturday, October 20, 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Park Ballroom, 1232 Park Street, Paso Robles, CA

WINNERS' RECITAL:
Saturday, November 3, 2:30 p.m. (rehearsal); 4 p.m. (concert)
Paso Robles Inn Ballroom, 1103 Spring St., Paso Robles, CA

The contest is open to piano students competing in two groups: Juniors (ages 10-14) and Seniors (ages 15-18). All contestants must currently study with an established piano teacher and reside within the following counties: Fresno, Monterey, Santa Barbara and San Luis Obispo. Residents of other California counties and professional pianists may not apply.

All participants in the 2018 auditions will receive a certificate. Prizes ranging from $100-$750 will be awarded to the best performers in each category, who will be invited and expected to perform at the Winners' Recital during the 2018 Paderewski Festival in Paso Robles. The Competition Jury will be headed by pianist and composer, Marek Zebrowski, Director of the Polish Music Center at USC and Artistic Director of the Paderewski Festival in Paso Robles. Awards will be made at the discretion of the Jury, whose verdict shall be final. The Jury reserves the right to withhold a prize or prizes in each age group and Jury decisions will not be subject to appeal.

The 2018 Youth Competition Winners' Concert will be held in the Paso Robles Inn Ballroom on Saturday, November 3, 2018. Selected winners may also be chosen for the 2019 Paderewski Festival-sponsored Exchange Program in Poland that includes workshops, master classes, and concerts in various historic venues in late June and early July 2019.

The following documents must be submitted electronically (*one e-mail only* with Word and JPG attachments) **by midnight Friday, September 28, 2018:**

☐ 1. Completed application form

☐ 2. Personal Statement

☐ 3. Short biographical note, listing teachers, schools, years of study, awards, etc.

☐ 4. High resolution (300 dpi) portrait photo (submitted electronically)

☐ 5. The applicant's audition program and repertoire list for October 21:

      Juniors: two works differing in level of difficulty, style and period

      Seniors: three works differing in level of difficulty, style and period, including one composition by Paderewski

      NOTE: All repertoire must be performed from memory

☐ 6. A $50 application fee paid through Eventbrite by Sept. 28th (link for payment available on Paderewskifest.com)

Completed applications with attachments should be submitted via email to: youth@paderewskifest.com. Incomplete or late applications will be disqualified.

NAME: _____

NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN: _____

ADDRESS: _____

PHONE and E-MAIL: _____

DATE OF BIRTH: _____

AGE: _____

SCHOOL GRADE LEVEL: _____

PIANO TEACHER: _____

PIANO TEACHER'S PHONE & E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____
(We will only contact your piano teacher to provide audition feedback)

AUDITION REPERTOIRE: *Juniors: 2 selections | Seniors: 3 selections, including one work by Paderewski*
Composer and complete title

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE

Institution (include dates of attendance)

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

In addition to the completed application form, applicants must submit via e-mail to: youth@paderewskifest.com:

☐A. SHORT BIOGRAPHICAL STATEMENT (one Word document, approx. 250 words). Please tell us about yourself. Include teachers, schools, years of study, public performances, awards, etc. What field of study do you intend to pursue and why? Are there any experiences, skills or qualifications that you feel should be considered with your application? Describe your aspirations, goals, and important influences in your life. Briefly list your other school activities, community service, hobbies, special talents, etc.

☐ B. REPERTOIRE LIST (include music prepared and performed during the last 2 years)

☐ C. RECENT PHOTOGRAPH (digital format required, minimum resolution 300 dpi)
Questions: Emma Levine at ellevine@calpoly.edu or call (818) 398-7639

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE September 28, 2018. LATE SUBMISSIONS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED