

2010 PADEREWSKI YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION

In conjunction with Cuesta College, North Campus, the Paderewski Festival in Paso Robles announces its fourth annual Youth Piano Competition.

Competition: Saturday, October 23, 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. (Cuesta College North)
Winners' Recital: Saturday, November 13, 4:00 p.m. (Paso Robles Inn)

The contest is open to male and female piano students competing in two groups: **Juniors** (age 10-14) and **Seniors** (age 15-18). Each finalist will receive a certificate. Prizes ranging from \$200-\$750 will be awarded to the top three performers in each category as well as an opportunity to perform at the Paderewski Festival Concert in the Paso Robles Inn Ballroom on **Saturday, November 13, 2010**. Marek Zebrowski, Director of the Polish Music Center, USC will provide personal coaching prior to the performance. Selected winners may also have an opportunity to travel to Poland on a scholarship to perform at Kańska Dolna, Paderewski's Estate near Kraków, Poland. All eligible young pianists are encouraged to enter this competition. All contestants must currently study with an established piano teacher and reside within the following counties: San Luis Obispo, Monterey, and Santa Barbara. Residents of other California counties and professional pianists may not apply.

Competition Jury will be headed by pianist and composer Marek Zebrowski, Director of the Polish Music Center, and Artistic Director of the Paderewski Festival in Paso Robles. Two other judges will be selected and announced prior to the October 23 auditions.

All applicants must submit the following by **Friday, OCTOBER 8, 2010**:

1. Completed application form (attached)
2. Personal Statement
3. Personal photograph (headshot preferred)
4. List of repertoire the applicant has studied during the past calendar year, and the applicant's choices for the October 23rd audition:
 - 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)
 - All repertoire must be performed from memory
5. A \$20 application processing fee, payable to Paderewski Festival.

Mail application materials to:

Rachel Garrett c/o
Paderewski Festival
P.O. Box 272
Paso Robles, CA 93447

The competition will be held at Cuesta College North County Campus, Room N5001. For further information, please call Rachel Garrett at 805-423-2242.

2010 PADEREWSKI YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION APPLICATION FORM

NAME _____
NAME OF PARENT/GUARDIAN _____
ADDRESS _____
Street City/State Zip
PHONE _____ E-MAIL _____
DATE OF BIRTH _____ AGE _____
SCHOOL GRADE LEVEL _____ PIANO TEACHER _____

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BRIEF MUSICAL HISTORY (when, where, instructors, etc.):

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AUDITION REPERTOIRE (Juniors: 2 selections; Seniors: 3 selections, including one work by Paderewski)

TITLE OF PIECE	COMPOSER	FROM
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EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE:

INSTITUTION

DATES FROM – TO

Attachments:

- A. PERSONAL STATEMENT ESSAY (250-300 words, typed on a separate sheet). Please tell us about yourself. What field of study do you intend to pursue? Why have you chosen this field? 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 school activities, community service, hobbies, special talents, etc.
- B. RECENT PHOTOGRAPH (digital format preferred)
- C. LIST OF REPERTOIRE

APPLICATIONS ARE DUE BY FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8, 2010

Questions: call Rachel Garrett at 805-423-2242 or email rachellikesred@yahoo.com