

The Justine LeBaron Young Artists Competition, March 23, 2019  
Sponsored by the Florida Orchestra Musicians Association

**Competition Rules**

1. Applicants must be instrumentalists or pianists, up to and including age 22, and residing in Pinellas, Hillsborough or Pasco County (students away at college are eligible provided they attended high school in this tri-county area).
  2. Applicants must submit an application form by mail, together with a non-refundable \$35 application fee, to be postmarked no later than February 23.
    - 2a. Early applications, postmarked by January 26, will only require a \$25 application fee, and will receive first choice of audition times.
  3. The competition will be held at the Gibbs Campus (5th Avenue) of St. Petersburg College on March 23, 2019. The musical selection, or portions thereof, to be performed in the morning audition shall not exceed 15 minutes, and must be the intended afternoon performance piece. Participants must provide their own accompanist (if applicable) and two copies of the piano score for the judges. There will be a Senior and a Junior Division, each with two categories, Piano and Instrumental. Senior Division (15 to 22 years old) selections must be a single movement of an orchestral concerto with readily available orchestral score and parts. Junior Division (under 15) selections may be any classical solo(s).
  4. Students under 15 may elect to participate in the Senior Division under the advisement of their private teacher or if they have been a first place junior winner in the previous year.
  5. All contestants will be recognized and receive certificates of participation at the public afternoon ceremony and recital in the Music Center auditorium. First, second and third place winners will receive special recognition. All judges' decisions will be final. Winners from each category will subsequently perform their selections.
  6. Judges will choose a single Grand Prize winner from the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners (all categories/divisions) at the afternoon recital. The Grand Prize winner will perform their concerto movement at a concert of The Florida Orchestra. Winners will be required to attend any necessary rehearsals prior to the Florida Orchestra concert performance.
  7. A student of a judge may participate providing said judge is not involved with judging said student's category/division.
  8. First place winners of a given category/division may not participate in that particular category/division again for the following year only.
  9. Application and interpretation of the above rules shall be at the sole discretion of the Competition organizers.
- N.B. if, in the sole opinion of the judges, the quality of performance in any given category/division is not at a sufficiently high level, they may decide to refrain from awarding all places in that category/division.

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