

Student Composition Contest

Sponsored by
The Beethoven Club of Memphis
Luna Nova New-Music Ensemble

The 2009 Beethoven Club Composition Contest is offered in conjunction with the Belvedere Chamber Music Festival to be held June 24-27, 2009 at Grace St. Luke's Episcopal Church and the Beethoven Club in Memphis, TN. The festival (www.belvederfestival.org) is sponsored by Luna Nova Music (www.lunanova.org)

ELIGIBILITY

The contest is open to composition students of all nationalities. Entry forms must contain the signature of the entrant's current theory or composition professor. Entrants must be born after June 1, 1979.

GUIDELINES

Participants may submit up to two entries. To insure anonymous submission, the composer's name should appear only on the entry form and not on any page of the score. Submissions may be made in two categories:

Chamber Music:

Students may submit scores for violin, flute, clarinet, cello, bassoon, horn, and piano. Entries may be solos or works for any combination of these instruments. Works should not exceed 10 minutes in length.

Organ:

Students may submit scores for pipe organ. The winning composition will be performed on the Schantz III/59 at Grace St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

ONLINE FORMS

Contest Announcement and Guidelines: www.belvederfestival.org/guidelines2009.pdf

Contest Entry Form: www.belvederfestival.org/entryform.pdf

DEADLINE

Scores must be received by March 6, 2009. Entrants outside the US should allow two weeks for delivery. Winners will be announced by April 10, 2009. Composers of winning entries must provide full score and parts by May 1, 2009. Scores cannot be returned. Entrants are asked to send two copies of each score along with one completed entry form to:

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1794 Carr Avenue
Memphis, TN 38104
Attn: Patricia Gray

JUDGING

A panel assembled by the Luna Nova Music board will judge scores. Their decision will be final.

PRIZES

Three winners will be named in the chamber music category and one in the organ category. Winning compositions will be performed by members of Luna Nova New-Music Ensemble (www.lunanova.org) and by Wesley Emerson, organist/choirmaster of Grace St. Luke's Episcopal Church at the festival. Winners are expected to attend the festival. They will receive a live recording of the performance and room and board for the festival. In addition, the first place winner in the chamber music division will be eligible to receive tuition remission to ISAM, the International Summer Academy of Music (www.michelstadt.de/ISAM_english.595.0.html), to be held in Michelstadt, Germany on August 2-17, 2009. Winners are responsible for their own transportation, room and board for this event.

Former contest winners are not eligible to enter.

RECORDINGS

Recordings of the winning compositions from 2007 and 2008 are available at www.belvederfestival.org/sound.html

Questions may be sent to Patricia Gray, Luna Nova Music, President at pgray@pgray.net