

III. Orbán György International Piano Competition

Call for Entries

The Vujicsics Tihamér Elementary School of Arts in Szentendre and the Vujicsics Tihamér Music School Foundation announce the **III. Orbán György International Piano Competition** to be held on November 29-30, 2024. We welcome students from both Hungarian and international elementary music schools.

Location: Vujicsics Tihamér Elementary School of Arts in Szentendre
(24 Duna korzó, 2000 Szentendre)

The competition's purpose is twofold:

1. Paying tribute to Orbán György, our Kossuth Prize-winning composer, who has written about 130 pieces for children. The preservation and celebration of the tradition initiated in 2018 with the aim of promoting worthy interpretations of Orbán György's works and popularizing his musical world among youth and piano teachers.
2. Alongside Orbán György's works, we pair pieces composed in the Baroque period (there is no restriction on the composers).

We encourage and appreciate courageous and unconventional piece selections, the performance of lesser-known and worthwhile works deserving discovery.

Competition Repertoire

It is mandatory to perform at least one piece by Orbán György in each age group, along with a piece or a part from works born in the Baroque era, adhering to the allotted performance time.

Age Groups

- I. Age Group: Preparatory and 1st grade**
Performance Time: 4 minutes
- II. Age Group: 2nd and 3rd grade**
Performance Time: 5 minutes
- III. Age Group: 4th and 5th grade**
Performance Time: 6 minutes
- IV. Age Group: 6th grade and above**
Performance Time: 8 minutes

Competition Requirements

Pieces must be performed without sheet music, and the specified performance time must not be exceeded. A preparatory teacher can register with a maximum of 3 students. The organizing institution reserves the right to limit the number of applications received for the competition.

Selectable Orbán Works

Pieces can be found in volumes I-IV of "The Friendly Piano School," the collection titled "Enchanted Forest" (EMB), "The New Bell" (EMB Z. 20 003), the volume "Veni, sol!" (EMB Z. 15 120), volumes I-II of "Aulos / Double Flute" (EMB), and the publication "Piano Suite" (EMB). Additionally, six Orbán pieces can be found in Lakos' collection "Introduction to Pedaling" (2019 EMB Z.20 016) under the following titles: In the Reeds in Winter; March of a Military Band; Little Etude; Clouds, Darting Light, then Rainbow; Like a Folk Song; Adventures of a Motif.

Competition Prizes

The competition committee may award 1st, 2nd, and 3rd places in each age group along with special prizes.

The participating students and their accompanying teachers must cover their own travel and any additional or related costs (accommodation, meals).

Registration Fee: 9000 Hungarian Forints / participant.

Registration fees should be transferred to the **Vujicsics Tihamér Music School Foundation account 10403112-31112190-00000000** (K&H Bank) by **October 22, 2024**. Participation is considered valid and complete upon receipt of the registration fee. The registration form is available for download from www.vujicsics.net later. Program-related information is also available there.

Registration Deadline: October 22, 2024, 24:00.

For further information about the competition, please use the following contact information: titkarsag@vujicsics.net, +36 30 7144752.