

International Competition for Young Pianists «Merci, Maestro! »

We would like to invite your students to participate in the **8th edition of our Competition** that will take place on **April 10-14th, 2024 in Brussels (Belgium) PIANO's MAENE** and will be closed with a **Gala Concert on April 14th, 2024, 18:00 GRAND PLACE, Brussels**
This prestigious event taking place in the breath-taking Gothic room of the Brussels Town Hall, Grand Place of Brussels.

**INTERNATIONAL PIANO COMPETITION "MERCI, MAESTRO!"
IS OPEN TO YOUNG PIANISTS FROM ALL AROUND THE WORLD.**

There are 4 categories:

- **Category A:** for candidates younger than or equal to 10 years old
- **Category B:** for candidates from 11 to 14 years old
- **Category C:** for candidates from 15 to 20 years old
- **Category D*:** for candidates from 21 to 25 years old

Cat D* FINAL ROUND: it has to be performed in trio.

The competition will provide Cello and Violin players for trio performances.

We provide Cash prizes in each category as well as special prizes:

- Prizes to youngest promising participant in each category
- Special diplomas
- Part of the scholarships to take part in the festival & master classes International Music Academy "FORTE" (www.musicacademy.be) with famous musicians
- Special prizes: participation in several workshops, concerts and festivals in Europe

International Jury members 2024:

- Nataliya Chepurenska (Belgium /Ukraine)
- Milana Chernyavska (Germany)
- Jean-Claude Vanden Eynden (Belgium)
- Olga Zdorenko (Italy/Ukraine)
- Diane Andersen (Belgium)
- Yannick van de Velde (Belgium)
- Tamara Kordzadze (Switzerland)
- Tatiana Kozlova (Israel)
- Yurii Kot (Ukraine)
- Herman De Vleeschhouwer (Belgium)
- Johan Schmidt (Belgium)

APPLICATION DEADLINE: MARCH 1ST, 2024
INSCRIPTION : <https://www.mercimaestro.be/application>
PRORAMME : <https://www.mercimaestro.be/programme-2-2>
ALL CONDITIONS: <https://www.mercimaestro.be/conditions-5>
PLACE OF THE COMPETITION: Piano's Maene Brussels, Belgium

The Competition consists of:

1. Pre-selection round (via video recording) march 2024
2. First round (live performance) April 2024
3. Final round (live performance) April 2024
4. Gala concert (live performance & distribution of the prizes) April 14th, 2024

For more information, please visit the competition website www.mercimaestro.be

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Here are videos from previous edition of "Merci, Maestro!" (2023) competition:

MM GALA 2023	https://youtu.be/GG5xGKvXKec
MM 2023 cat A report	https://youtu.be/xgdtHt_iobg
MM 2023 cat B report	https://youtu.be/xtbTyzvYSV8
MM 2023 cat C report	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BMqni--Xefc
MM 2023 cat D report	https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ibRbcVf8vb8

Looking forward to seeing you soon on our competition.

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