INVITATION

in memoriam György Ferenczy

V. INTERNATIONAL
CHOPIN PIANO COMPETITION IN BUDAPEST

NO AGE LIMIT

Member of the Alink-Argerich Foundation

Budapest, June 2012.
The correct date will be published later.

Organisations or private persons are welcomed to offer money or other material prizes until the beginning of the competition.
The accepted prizes will be given as special awards.
Money prizes will be paid out in the deposited currency.

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The György Ferenczy Foundation – Chopin Society continues the series of International Chopin Piano Competitions in Budapest. Its special feature is that the competitors – apart from Chopin’s works – have to perform work(s) of optional Hungarian composer(s), and – with respect for Chopin’s second homeland – work(s) of French composer(s). Candidates are awaited from any countries, without age limit, and without any limitations in the types of schools and forms of education. The competition consists of two rounds. The auditions are open for the public. The Jury is international.

The order of the performances will be announced at the Opening Ceremony, after the playing order has been drawn. For organisation and program reasons – by the decision of the Jury – the order of auditions can be modified within the same day. In the event of competitor’s illness, confirmed by the local medical service, the competitor may be permitted to delay the performance until the end of the round. The new playing order will be irrevocable until the end of the competition. The winners will play on a Gala Concert after the Award Ceremony. The program will be established by the Jury.

The scores and the decisions made by the Jury are secret and definitive.
There is no opportunity to appeal them.

The Jury has the right to change the number of prizes and the amount of money awarded to the winners, providing that the total amount of prize money will not be increased.

REQUIRED MATERIAL:

1st round:
performing time: 30 minutes
It is not compulsory to use up the whole playtime. In case of exceeding the limit the Jury has the right to stop the performance and is allowed to subtract scores.

a piece of an optional French composer
a piece of a Hungarian composer (e.g. Liszt, Weiner, Dohnányi, Bartók, Kodály etc.),
two Preludes of Chopin (adjacent numbers in the series, performed successively in their original order),
a Valse of Chopin,
a Nocturne of Chopin
2nd round:
Performing time: no time limit

- two Etudes of Chopin (played successively)
- the 1st and the 3rd part from a Sonata of Chopin
- two Mazurkas of Chopin (adjacent numbers from an opus, performed successively in their original order),
- a Polonaise of Chopin,
- an optional piece of Chopin - except the already played categories and concerts (recommended genres: Fantaisie, Impromptu, Ballade, Scherzo, Barcarole, Berceuse, Tarantella etc.).

The repertoire listed in the program brochure is definitive (cannot be changed).

The pieces are played by heart, in optional order. In the 1st round, the pieces by Chopin are required to be played adjacently, without interrupting them by other composer’s works.

**PRIZES:**
- I prize: 5 000 EUR
- II prize: 3 000 EUR
- III prize: 2 000 EUR
- invitations to concerts, special prizes, material awards.

**Motto:**

„**MANY CAN PLAY MUSIC WELL, A FEW PLAYS IT HEARTILY**”

*(György Ferenczy)*

**THE FEES:**

- **Entry fee:** for competitors only: full payment: 40 000 Ft
  - Citizens of the „Visegrad Fours” countries can pay a subsidized amount:
    - 33 000 Ft (for CZ, PL, SK citizens)
    - 30 000 Ft (for HU citizens)
  - The entry fee will not be paid back.
- **Participation fee:** According to your needs we provide collegial-type accommodation and meals for competitors and attending persons in the same way.
  - In case of foreign transfers, the whole sum must be paid in HUF, according to the actual changing rate, with paying for the extra bank charges, to the bank account: Ferenczy György Alapítvány, MKKB HU HB, HU71 10300002-20616061-00003285.

**TERMS OF APPLICATION:**

The application form will be published on internet up to January 2012.
Deadline of mail delivery: 15. 03. 2012.
Send BY REGISTERED MAIL the completed application form enclosing the required documents:
- copy of the identification card or passport (name, citizenship, date of birth),
- short professional biography
  - (what national or international competition did he/she take part in, what placing did he/she get),
- copy of bank recipes about the transfer,
- two passport sized photos
ton the address: Ferenczy György Alapítvány, H – 1172 Budapest, Nagyszékes u. 8.
Deadline of the confirmation: 15. 04. 2012.

We wish the participants and their teachers successful preparation and good health

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