Composers’ Programme to the festival “Days of chamber music”
Gabrovo, Bulgaria
September 8 – 15, 2017 г.
(September 6 – 16 2017 for composers)

The Gabrovo Chamber Orchestra invites student composers in high-school and university (bachelor) level to participate with their compositions in the Composers’ Programme to the festival “Days of chamber music”, organized by the Gabrovo Chamber Orchestra.

The Composers’ programme targets student-composers at high-school and university level seeking opportunities to rehearse and hear their music performed by professional musicians, as well as to participate in workshops and lectures in different practical and theoretical disciplines.

The composers will have a work included in the programme of the festival, which will be rehearsed and performed by the Gabrovo Chamber Orchestra. The concert will be recorded and offered to the composers for non-commercial purposes. The work does not have to be written specifically for the festival.

During their work in the workshops the composers will write exercises in orchestration and arrangement, which will be rehearsed with the orchestra. They will participate in a conducting masterclass with the Gabrovo Chamber Orchestra. Some participants will be recommended to the festival performers for future commissions and collaborations.

The composers will benefit from activities outside the studies and the festival, including museum visits, a mountain hike, etc.

Personnel of the Gabrovo Chamber Orchestra:
9 violins, 3 violas, 2 violoncellos и 1 double bass

Lectures offered
Individual composition lessons
Group masterclasses in composition
Groups lectures in history and theory of music
Group lessons in conducting
Individual and group career consultations

Teachers
Mag. Ivan Stoyanov (conducting), conductor of the Gabrovo Chamber Orchestra
http://www.gko.gabrovo.bg/istoriya
Dr Alexandra Fol (composition and theoretical disciplines), guest-composers
https://alexandrafol.wordpress.com/

Price for 10 days: accommodation, breakfast, tuition, organized external activities (including entrance tickets, transport, tour guide)
Price for citizens of the European Union € 500 Euros for 10 days
Price for citizens of countries from outside of the European Union € 800 for 10 days
Teaching language for individual lessons
Bulgarian, German, English, French, Italian

Teaching language for group classes
English. Other languages dependent on particular circumstances.

Important dates
Deadline for applying, by e-mail only: June 15, 2017
  gabrovo.composers.programme@gmail.com
Announcing the results: June 30, 2017
  If you need to know your results earlier in order to apply for funding, etc., please, do write to us.
Deadline for fee payment: July 31, 2017
  The accepted composers will receive the bank account information by e-mail.
Deadline for receiving the work and the parts: August 20, 2017
Day of arrival in Gabrovo: September 6, 2017
  Possibility of pick-up from Sofia for an additional fee
Day of departure from Gabrovo: September 16, 2017

Applications
Composers wishing to apply must send the following documents
  1) Short biography
  2) 2-3 scores in PDF format
  3) Recordings, if such exist
  4) Link to a personal website, if such exists

E-mail for application and contact
gabrovo.composers.programme@gmail.com

Phone numbers for contact
+1-514-264-7777 (Bulgarian, German, English, French, Italian)
+359 889 619 345 (Bulgarian)

Internet links
Gabrovo municipality
http://gabrovo.bg/en

Museum of humour and satire

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http://www.gko.gabrovo.bg/

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Central Bus Station
http://www.centralnaavtogara.bg

Busses from Sofia to Gabrovo departing from the Central Bus Station
http://avtogari.info/search.php?start=%D0%A1%D0%9E%D0%A4%D0%98%D0%AF&end=%D0%93%D0%90%D0%91%D0%A0%D0%9E%D0%92%D0%9E