

WMMTA Spring Auditions: Grades 1-12

April 4, 2020, Friends University

This festival is open to all students in grades 1 through 12, and collegiate music majors. The objective is to elevate the standards of performance among young people, and to give recognition to those who strive for excellence. Grades 1 through 12 compete for prizes (or perform for comments only). High school seniors who are preparing to major in music at a Kansas college or university have the option of auditioning for the **Milo Wright Scholarship award of \$500**. Collegiate music majors audition for the **Francis A. Wallingford Memorial Piano Performance Scholarship award of \$500**.

There will be two phases of the competition:

Preliminaries: Each contestant will perform both selections.

Finalists' Recital: All contestants who are awarded 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in their division will perform one selection of his/her choice. The finalists' recital will be a public concert held the afternoon of the festival.

Medals and ribbons will be awarded to finalists in the pre-competitive division; all other divisions will be awarded cash prizes and ribbons. Judges have the discretion of awarding an unlimited number of honorable mentions in all divisions.

Competition Guidelines

1. One copy of the music to be performed must be provided for the judge.
2. The 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finalists will perform in the finalists' recital. Honorable Mentions will be recognized at the recital.
3. No awards will be made if the judges deem there is no applicant who meets the requirements for the award.
4. Cash awards will be paid directly to the student on the day of the audition.
5. All levels of competition will be open to the public.
6. Student must be a resident of the state of Kansas.
7. Each teacher may enter as many students as desire.
8. Decisions of the judges are final.
9. The first place winners of the competitive divisions (Elementary, Intermediate, Junior, and Senior) may not compete in that division again.

Repertoire Requirements

Pre-Competitive Division (Grades 1 - 3)

1. Two memorized solo piano compositions of contrasting style. Pedagogical pieces are permitted.
2. Performance time limit is 6 minutes.

Elementary Division (Grades 4 - 6)

1. Two memorized solo piano compositions of contrasting style. Pedagogical pieces are permitted.
2. Performance time limit is 12 minutes.

Intermediate Division (Grades 7 - 9) and Junior Division (Grades 10 - 11)

1. Two memorized solo piano compositions of contrasting style.
2. One selection is performed from each category:
 - A. Baroque or Classical Period
 - B. Romantic or Modern Period (*excludes pedagogical pieces*)

A single movement from a sonata or Bach prelude and fugue may be considered as one selection. If more than one piece is submitted, the compositions must be written by the same composer and from a suite or set of pieces.

Concerto performances are undesirable for this competition.

3. Performance time limit is 12 minutes

Senior Division (Grade 12)

1. Two memorized solo piano compositions of contrasting style.
2. Repertoire must represent two stylistic periods.
3. Performance time limit is 15 minutes.

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place finalists MUST perform at the recital in order to receive their award.

AWARDS:

1. Each contestant will receive a written critique on the rating sheet.
2. All contestants will receive a certificate.
3. Prizes will be awarded as follows:

Pre-Competitive Division (Grades 1 - 3)

1st, 2nd, and 3rd Places: Medals and Ribbons

Elementary Division (Grades 4 - 6)

1st Place: \$30 and ribbon

2nd Place: \$25 and ribbon

3rd Place: \$20 and ribbon

Intermediate Division (Grades 7 -9)

1st Place: \$75 and ribbon

2nd Place: \$50 and ribbon

3rd Place: \$25 and ribbon

Junior Division (Grades 10 - 11)

1st Place: \$100 and ribbon

2nd Place: \$75 and ribbon

Senior Division (Grade 12)

1st Place: \$150

2nd Place: \$100

Honorable Mentions in each division will receive ribbons.

First place winning teachers of each division are responsible to organize the auditions for the following year. The Senior Division teacher chairs the event.

Entry Fees and Guidelines:

Pre-Competitive (Grades 1 - 3)	\$15 (\$25 non-members)
Elementary (Grades 4 - 6)	\$20 (\$30 non-members)
Intermediate (Grades 7 - 9)	\$25 (\$35 non-members)
Junior and Senior (Grades 10 - 12)	\$30 (\$40 non-members)

1. Submit one entry form for each student entered. A copy of the entry blank to be used is attached. Only EXACT DUPLICATE copies of the entry form will be accepted.
2. Collect all student entry fees and entry blanks in one envelope and include the TOTAL ENTRY FEE IN ONE CHECK.
3. Applications must be postmarked on or before March 14, 2018. Late entries will not be accepted.

Makes checks payable to the WMMTA. Send checks and application forms to:

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