

**International Guitar Competition
“Homage to Niccolò Paganini”
May 26th-27th, 2018**

**and
Young Talents Competition
May 26th, 2018**



Parma (PR) - Italy

Rules

Art. 1 Competition enrollment

The competition is open to musicians of all nationalities and will be taking place at “Casa della Musica” - P.le San Francesco, 1 - Parma (Italy) on May 26th and 27^h, 2018

Art. 2 Sections and categories

All rounds will be open to the public. These are sections and categories:

INTERNATIONAL GUITAR COMPETITION “HOMAGE TO NICCOLÒ PAGANINI”

- Solo selection (Guitar) - no age limit
- Chamber music selection (from 2 to 8 musicians) with guitar - no age limit

YOUNG TALENTS COMPETITION

- Solo selection (Guitar)

A Category: born from 2006

B Category: born from 2003 to 2005

C Category: born from 1998 to 2002

- Chamber music selection:

D Category: groups from 2 to 6 musicians with at least one guitar (average age under 18)

In the Young Talents Competition, participants are allowed to enter a higher age category. Neither the outright winners of a previous editions in solo selection nor winner groups in the chamber music selection can enroll with the same ensemble or for the same category.

Art. 3 Registration fees

INTERNATIONAL GUITAR COMPETITION “HOMAGE TO NICCOLÒ PAGANINI”

- Solo selection (Guitar): € 60
- Chamber music selection: € 40 for each member

YOUNG TALENTS COMPETITION

- Solo selection (Guitar) A, B, C Category: € 30
- Chamber music selection, D Category: € 20 for each member

Art. 4 The Jury

The Jury consist of conservatory professors, music schools teachers and preeminent musicians

Art. 5 Programs

INTERNATIONAL GUITAR COMPETITION "HOMAGE TO NICCOLÒ PAGANINI"

Eliminatory round: Saturday May 26th, 2018 starting from 9.30 a.m.

Final round: Sunday May 27th, 2018 starting from 10.30 a.m.

- Solo selection (Guitar) *- no age limit

Eliminatory round - Saturday May 26th, 2018

- one Sonata from "37 Sonatas" M.S. 84 by N. Paganini;
- and free program - maximum duration of the whole performance: 10 minutes.

Final round

Free program - maximum duration: 15 minutes. Participants are not allowed to play the same music pieces previously performed during the elementary round.

- Chamber music selection (from 2 to 6 musicians) with guitar*

Eliminatory Round

Free program, which have to included one original piece by N. Paganini or from Classical or Romantic period - maximum duration: 12 minutes. Transcriptions will be admitted, in absence of original compositions for the ensemble.

Final round

Free program - maximum duration: 15 minutes. Participants are not allowed to play the same music pieces previously performed during the elementary round.

YOUNG TALENTS COMPETITION

Saturday May 26th, 2018 starting from 10 a.m. CAT.C

Saturday May 26th, May starting from 2.00 p.m. CAT. A,B,D

- Solo selection, in one round*:

A Category: free program - maximum duration: 6 minutes

B Category: free program - maximum duration: 8 minutes

C Category: free program - maximum duration: 10 minutes (with at least one Ghiribizzo by N.Paganini, from "43 Ghiribizzi" M.S.43)

- Chamber music selection, with guitar, in one round*:

D Category: free program: maximum duration 8 minutes

** Only as free program transcriptions will be admitted.*

Art. 6 Scores

INTERNATIONAL GUITAR COMPETITION “HOMAGE TO NICCOLÒ PAGANINI”

First Prizes cannot be shared and may not be awarded at the Jury’s discretion. A maximum of four participants will be admitted to the Final round in the Solo selection and a maximum of four groups will be admitted to the Final round in the Chamber music selection.

YOUNG TALENTS COMPETITION

The point system is expressed in cents. Participants with a score not less than 95/100 will be assigned the 1st prize. Participants with a score not less than 90/100 will be assigned the 2nd prize. Participants with a score not less than 85/100 will be assigned the 3rd prize. The outright winner for each section will be the participant with the highest score within first prizes. The decision of the Jury is not subject to appeal.

Art. 7 Certificates, diplomas and prizes

INTERNATIONAL GUITAR COMPETITION “HOMAGE TO NICCOLÒ PAGANINI”**

• Solo selection (Guitar):

First prize:

- Certificate of first prize
- Grant worth € 1.000, offered by Rotary Club Parma
- Altamira N900 concert guitar, courtesy of Altamira Guitars, with a commercial value of € 5000
- A concert in the Niccolò Paganini Guitar Festival in the 2019 edition
- A concert in Genova (Italy) organized by the “Amici di Paganini” Association during 2018/19
- A concert organized by the cultural association Mani in Arte, in collaboration with San Sperate music High School (in the Province of Cagliari), the concert will take place in Autumn 2018 as part of the festival “incontro con il liutaio” (which literally translates into English: meet the lute maker)
- A concert at the Balaton Guitar Festival (Hungary) in the 2019 edition
- A concert at the Beethovenfest Bonn (Germany) in September 2018
- Online distributed album (.mp3 format) on the most important international music stores (iTunes, Amazon, Spotify, eMusc, Fnac, etc) offered by DotGuitar for the DotGuitar/CD/Winners label http://www.dotguitar.it/zine/cd/dotguitar_cd.html
- music accessories by D’Addario Foundation and Aquila Corde Armoniche Srl
- music book selection by Ut Orpheus

Second prize:

- Certificate of second prize
- Grant worth “Vincenzo Raffaele Segreto” € 500 and concert to be held on June 3th at Casa della Musica of Parma

- Music accessories by D'Addario Foundation and Aquila Corde Armoniche Srl
- Music book selection by Ut Orpheus

Third prize:

- Certificate of third prize
- Music accessories by D'Addario Foundation and Aquila Corde Armoniche Srl
- Music book selection by Ut Orpheus

- **Chamber music selection:**

First prize:

- Certificate of first prize
- A concert for Società dei concerti di Parma, during 2018/2019 (€ 1.000 gross cachet)
- Concert at the Padernello Castle (Brescia) to be held on 21th June 2018
- Online distributed album (.mp3 format) on the most important international music stores (iTunes, Amazon, Spotify, eMusc, Fnac, etc) offered by DotGuitar for the DotGuitar/CD/Winners label
http://www.dotguitar.it/zine/cd/dotguitar_cd.html ***
- Music accessories by D'Addario Foundation and Aquila Corde Armoniche Srl
- Music book selection by Ut Orpheus

Second prize:

- Certificate of second prize
- A concert for Società dei Concerti di Parma, during the Summer festival, 2017/2018 edition (€ 500 gross cachet)
- Music accessories by D'Addario Foundation and Aquila Corde Armoniche Srl
- Music book selection by Ut Orpheus

Third prize:

- Certificate of third prize
- Music accessories by D'Addario Foundation and Aquila Corde Armoniche Srl
- Music book selection by Ut Orpheus

“Niccolò Paganini” special prize (Solo and Chamber music selection)

Best execution Niccolò Paganini's music piece: grant worth € 200, offered by Niccolò Paganini Association (Parma – Italy)

** Performers won't be paid for this concert. Just travel expenses so as accommodations fees will be refunded.

*** DotGuitar will support the complete expenses for publishing 1 (one) album on-line (transcoding, uploading tracks, covers composition, revenue management, etc.) for the winner of the Competition.

DotGuitar will have 5 years (renewable by mutual agreement) rights for that recording and any profit and revenue from the sale of the digital tracks on the stores will be divided at the 50% for the winner guitarist and 50 % for DotGuitar.

The laureate will provide (by himself, where he wants and at his own expenses) to record a master tape with a program of his choice, and send to DotGuitar the audio tracks in a digital format (it could be a regular audio CD or .wav format tracks sent via Dropbox, Wetransfer or similar).

The organizers of the Paganini Guitar Competition and DotGuitar must receive the recordings within one year from the date of the competition.

The organizers of the Paganini Guitar Competition and DotGuitar will reserve the right to judge if the quality of the recording is suitable and of good level to be published.

YOUNG TALENTS COMPETITION

- A-B-C-D Category

Outright winner prize: Certificate of merit, book selection and music accessories

First prize: Certificate of merit, music accessories

Second prize: Certificate of merit, book selection

Third prize: Certificate of merit.

At the first absolute of the category C will be assigned a guitar Altamira N3007 / 8, kindly offered by Altamira Chitarre, of the commercial value of 400 €

At the first absolute of the category B will be assigned an Altamira N1007 / 8 guitar, kindly offered by Altamira Chitarre, with a commercial value of 300 €

Young Talents Competition Special Prize

Best execution Niccolò Paganini's original music piece: grant worth € 100, offered by Niccolò Paganini Association (Parma – Italy)

A certificate of attendance will be provided to all participants

Prizes may not be awarded at the Jury's discretion.

All prize winners must participate at the **award giving ceremony on Sunday May 27th 2018 starting from 6.30 p.m. at the Casa della Musica in Parma (PR)**. Failing to do so will result in the loss of the prize.

Art. 8 Auditions

Prior to the audition all participants will have to submit to the Jury a copy of the scores of their program and an ID card or passport. The auditions' schedule, the time and the location of the roll call will be on-line starting from May 15th. Late-coming competitors may be admitted according to the final decision of the Jury before the drawing up of their category's minutes has been completed. The Jury is allowed to stop the performance in case it will exceed the time limit. Those members of the Jury who have family relationship or ongoing teaching relationships with participants must declare it and will be abstained from judging them.

Art. 9 Enrollment

must be fill in all the parts, signed and must be submitted **no later than May 7th, 2018.**

Along with the applications, or just after it, each applicant should enclose payment receipt of individual registration fee to be paid by bank transfer to “Società dei Concerti di Parma”

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