Welcome to the 23rd Annual Sonatina Festival Saturday, November 11, 2023

ADJUDICATORS

Our adjudicators for the day are Dr. Diana Shapiro from UW-Whitewater, and Ms. Kendra Betz, NCTM, of Pewaukee. Their bios will be posted at the festival.

AUDITIONS

The auditions are closed (only the participant and judge are present in the room); photography and videography of auditions are prohibited. Teachers and family members are asked to remain in the waiting area.

WARM-UP and CHECK-IN

Upon arriving at the Sonatina Festival (Madison Christian Community, 7118 Old Sauk Rd, Madison):

- Check in at the front desk, then proceed to the waiting area. **Remember to bring your original score with measures numbered.** At check in, you will also need to provide a phone number where you can be contacted that day as well as a photo release.
- Warm-up pianos are not available. For those who live locally, we suggest that you warm up at home before arriving at the festival. Please plan a brief warmup to play in your audition room before you begin to play for the adjudicator.
- Please note that NO food or beverage is allowed in the waiting area.

AWARDS

This festival's philosophy embraces the fact that the biggest award happens in the preparation of the event deciding on a goal, practicing daily, and working with your teacher to present a performance. Each entrant deserves recognition for preparing for today and giving their best effort. This year we have 150 entries representing 27 teachers. Judging begins at 8:00am and concludes at 4:15pm. The categories for the day are: 5-6 years, 7-8 years, 9-10 years, 11 years, 12 years, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16-17 years, Adult, and Duet. Trophies will be awarded to the top 1/3 of the performers in each category; the judge chooses a Recitalist and an Alternate in each category; all entrants will receive certificates of participation. <u>The decision of the adjudicator is final.</u> First place winners of all categories will be invited to perform in a winners' recital at the conclusion of the festival. Trophy winners will receive their trophies at the awards presentation.

RESULTS at www.sonatinafestival.org

Each entrant is assigned a student number. (If you don't know yours, you can ask for it at the check-in desk.) Trophy winners, Recitalists, and Alternate Recitalists are posted online at <u>www.sonatinafestival.org</u> at the conclusion of the festival. Judging concludes at 4:15pm, so you can expect results to be posted by 5:00pm. Remember to refresh your browser to ensure that you are viewing the most recent page when checking online. Recitalists will receive a phone notification.

We invite everyone to attend the winners' recital and awards presentation at <u>6:30 pm</u> at Madison Christian Community this evening. Students receiving awards or performing at the winners' recital are requested to dress appropriately. Packets containing certificates, adjudicator's forms, and unclaimed trophies will be released to TEACHERS ONLY at the conclusion of the awards ceremony. Teachers not attending the awards ceremony may arrange for a representative to claim their packet at the awards recital by emailing <u>sonatinafestival@gmail.com</u> by November 11.

Thank you once again for your participation. It is our hope that students and teachers alike will find the festival to be a rewarding experience.

Sincerely, Mickey Lytle Festival Founder & Coordinator