



THE GCSS IV PIANO COMPETITION VI, 2021 **CASH AWARDS**

The Gulf Coast Steinway Society is a non-profit organization formed by Steinway Artist Dr. Kadisha Onalbayeva and other individuals united in their devotion to strive to promote fine music through education and performance along the Gulf Coast region. The Gulf Coast Steinway Society Music Competition VI will take place at The University of Mobile, 5735 College Parkway, Mobile, Alabama, on Saturday, January 23. Its purpose is to give talented young students an opportunity to perform and to work with master teachers.

THE GCSS MUSIC COMPETITION VI, 2021 ***Competition Guidelines***

FORMAT OF THE COMPETITION

Participants will perform two or three pieces of contrasting styles and attend a master class. Award winners will be selected on the basis of their performance. The students' teachers are encouraged to attend. In consideration of CDC Covid-19 guidelines, all competition performances will be live-streamed for public viewing. Students may have a maximum of two family members and one teacher attending the competition with them. This year's event will not be open to public attendance as in years past.

ELIGIBILITY

Applicants must be residents of the state of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, and Mississippi, or be studying with a teacher who is a resident of these states. Competition participants will be students from Middle School, High School and Colleges and Universities in the five-state region.

First Prize Winners from last year's GCSS Competition are NOT ELIGIBLE to enter this competition in the same category.

Junior Level - Grades 6-8 (Middle School) OR students who have taken five (5) years of piano lessons by the age of 10

Senior Level - Grades 9-12 (age limit 18) (High School)

College Level (Undergraduate students only in two categories: lower classman (freshman & sophomore) and upper classman (junior & senior))

AWARDS

Three Gulf Coast Steinway Society Awards will be given for each category. Honorable Mentions will be given at the discretion of the judges.

SOLO REPERTOIRE

Piano: Middle School / High School Level (time limit 6-10 minutes)

Students will perform TWO contrasting styles:

1. Baroque
2. Classical
3. Romantic or Contemporary repertoire

Piano: College Level (time limit 15-20 minutes) (both lower & upper level)

Students will perform THREE contrasting styles:

1. Baroque
2. Sonata by Haydn, Mozart, Beethoven, Schubert. (ONE MOVEMENT)
3. Romantic or Contemporary repertoire

TOTAL PRIZES AWARDED FOR SOLO PIANO

Level: Middle School / High School

1. Junior :
 1. \$100
 2. \$75
 3. \$50
2. Senior:
 1. \$200
 2. \$150
 3. \$100

Piano College Level: (lower /upper)

1. Lower
 1. \$500
 2. \$300
 3. \$200
2. Upper
 1. \$500
 2. \$300
 3. \$200

**GULF COAST STEINWAY SOCIETY
MUSIC COMPETITION VI,
PIANO
SATURDAY, JANUARY 23, 2021
APPLICATION FORM**

NAME _____ BIRTHDATE _____

SCHOOL _____

INSTRUMENT _____ LEVEL Circle: Middle School / High School

College-Lower Level: Freshman / Sophomore College-Upper Level: Junior / Senior

ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

INSTRUCTOR _____

INSTRUCTOR'S ADDRESS _____ CITY _____ ZIP _____

INSTRUCTOR'S PHONE/EMAIL _____

ACCOMPANIST NAME _____

APPLICATION FEE \$38.00

REPERTOIRE: CONTRASTING PIECES, COMPOSER, MOVEMENT, TITLE AND EXACT TIME.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

PARTICIPANT AND PARTICIPANT'S INSTRUCTOR WILL RECEIVE A SCHEDULE BY EMAIL.

**All works must be memorized.
You must provide ONE copy of your score.**

SCORES MUST BE LEGALLY DOWNLOADED

Please submit the form showing that your score is legally downloaded along with the GCSS Competition Applications.

APPLICATIONS DUE

Applications must be submitted by Friday, December 18th, 2020. ***NO LATE APPLICATIONS WILL BE ACCEPTED.***

STUDENT APPLICATION FEE

There is a fee of \$38.00 per category. Application package must include:

1. Application Form
2. Non-refundable Fee \$38.00 per category

Please Submit your Application Online:

www.gulfcoaststeinwaysociety.org

Gulf Coast Steinway Society Music Competition VI, 2021

We wish all our applicants great success in participating in The GCSS Music Competition VI. If you have any questions, please contact

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