

Objectives

- To promote artistic excellence and merit
- To develop learning and performance level of all participants
- To increase artistic sharing through participant's interpersonal exchange experiences
- To promote the musical career as a future professional reality
- To divulge Portuguese music and Portuguese composers
- To assert Póvoa de Varzim as a city of great artistic and cultural tradition

General Application Rules

- 1. The Póvoa de Varzim Piano Competition is intended for all piano students residing in Portugal or abroad, who meet the age, program and/or qualification requirements in accordance to the regulations for each of the different participation degrees.
- 2. The participation degrees are divided into six categories:
 - i. CATEGORY A Students up to 8 years old
 - ii. CATEGORY B Students up to 10 years old
 - iii. CATEGORY C Students up to 13 years old
 - iv. CATEGORY D Students up to 16 years old
 - v. CATEGORY E Students up to 19 years old
 - vi. CATEGORY F Students up to 24 years old
- 3. The age limit for each category uses December 31st of the preceding year of the contest as the reference date.
- 4. The auditions will be open to the public and will take place on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd of May, at the Municipal Auditorium of Póvoa de Varzim. The alignment and schedule will be announced later on.
- 5. The winners' concert will take place on May 3rd, at the Municipal Auditorium at 4pm.
- 6. Applications must be sent to the Escola de Música da Póvoa de Varzim, duly filled, no later than April 20th.
- 7. After April 20th, applications will be accepted until April 25th, with an additional fee of 10 Euros besides the original application fee value.
- 8. The application form must be sent with a photocopy of the Identity Card or Citizen Card, a photograph and a check (addressed to Associação Pró-Música da Póvoa de Varzim) to the following address: Escola de Música da Póvoa de Varzim, Rua D. Maria I, nº 56, 4490-538 Póvoa de Varzim.
- 9. The application form may be filled and sent via email to the e-mail address: geral.cppv@gmail.com. The necessary documentation is available online on the website http://concursodepianodapovoadevarzim-eng.blogspot.pt. Registration will be validated after payment confirmation.
- 10. Payment of the application fee can be made by bank transfer to IBAN nr. PT50 0035 0666 0007 9949 330 60 (send transfer receipt to the address or e-mail address listed above).



- 11. The application fee value is 30 Euros for contestants in categories A, B and C, and 40 Euros for contestants in categories D, E and F. The students from Escola de Música da Póvoa de Varzim will benefit from a 30% discount.
- 12. The application fee is non-refundable.
- 13. First prize winners of previous editions cannot compete in the same category.
- 14. The organizing committee will close applications as soon as the maximum logistical capacity is reached for each of the different categories.
- 15. Applications will be accepted and numbered per arrival order.
- 16. Only solo piano works will be accepted.
- 17. Works executed in the eliminatory auditions will not be accepted in the final.
- 18. All works must be performed by memory.
- 19. Upon arrival, all contestants must deliver the scores that shall be presented to the organizing committee.
- 20. Ex-aequo first prizes will not be awarded, except if no second prize is awarded.
- 21. The jury reserves the right to not award any of the prizes whenever they find that the contestants' merit is insufficient.
- 22. The jury may award honourable mentions.
- 23. The jury's decisions are final and not subject to review.
- 24. All contestants shall receive gifts and participation certificates.
- 25. Photographs, audio or video recordings are not allowed during the auditions. The organization reserves the right to make recordings of the competitors and their auditions for archiving or disclosure purposes, or for activities directly related to the Póvoa de Varzim Piano Competition, being that participants may not require any remuneration.
- 26. The final audition of category F (up to age 24) will be recorded by RDP on Saturday, May 2nd, at 9pm, and later broadcasted by radio station ANTENA 2 in a program dedicated to the Póvoa de Varzim Piano Competition. Respective date and time will be announced later on.
- 27. Accommodation and meals for participants will always be their responsibility. However, the organizing committee of the Póvoa de Varzim Piano Competition has established partnerships with local entities providing these services that offer exclusive discounts for all contestants and accompanying persons.
 - This information is available on the website http://concursodepianodapovoadevarzim.blogspot.pt, under Parcerias/Apoios
- 28. Situations considered to be lacking from the rules will be promptly addressed by the organizing committee which will deal with their resolution.



Program

CATEGORY A - Up to 8 years old

Single Audition

- 1 Study piece
- 1 Free Choice Piece
- 1 Portuguese piece

CATEGORY B - Up to 10 years old

Single Audition

- 1 Study piece
- 1 Baroque piece
- 1 Portuguese piece

CATEGORY C - Up to 13 years old

Single Audition

- 1 Study piece
- 1 J. S. Bach piece
- 1 Free Choice piece
- 1 Portuguese piece

CATEGORY D - Up to 16 years old

Eliminatory Audition

- 1 Study piece
- 1 J. S. Bach work
- 1 Portuguese piece

Final

- 2 Free choice contrasting pieces
- 1 Sonata movement

CATEGORY E - Up to 19 years old

Eliminatory Audition

- 1 Study piece
- 1 J. S. Bach work
- 1 Portuguese piece of the twentieth century or later

Final

Recital with free choice works and maximum duration of 20 minutes



CATEGORY F - Up to 24 years old

Eliminatory Audition

- 1 Study piece
- 1 J. S. Bach work
- 1 Portuguese piece of the twentieth century or later

Final

Recital with free choice works and maximum duration of 30 minutes (This audition will be recorded by RDP)

Jury

SOFIA LOURENÇO – President (Escola Superior de Música e das Artes do Espectáculo - ESMAE)

FAUSTO NEVES (Universidade de Aveiro / Academia de Música de Espinho)

LUÍS PIPA (Universidade do Minho)

SERGEI COVALENCO (Moscow University)

Awards

CATEGORY A - Up to 8 years old

1st Prize: €100 2nd Prize: €60 3rd Prize: €40

CATEGORY B - Up to 10 years old

1st Prize: €120 2nd Prize: €85 3rd Prize: €70

CATEGORY C - Up to 13 years old

1st Prize: €300 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim 2nd Prize: €150 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim 3rd Prize: €100 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

CATEGORY D - Up to 16 years old

1st Prize: €400 / a shared recital in "Manifestações Paralelas" of the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

2nd Prize: €200 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim 3rd Prize: €125 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim



CATEGORY E - Up to 19 years old

1st Prize: €600 / a shared recital in "Manifestações Paralelas" of the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

2nd Prize: €300 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim 3rd Prize: €150 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

CATEGORY F - Up to 24 years old

1st Prize: €800 / a solo recital integrated in "Manifestações Paralelas" of the International Music Festival of Póvoa de

Varzim and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

2nd Prize: €400 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim 3rd Prize: €250 and a subscription to the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim

"Best Interpretation of a Portuguese Piece" Award

(Afonso Pinhão Ferreira 2015 Prize)

Honour Committee

Madalena de Sá e Costa (Musician and Teacher)

Olga Prats (Pianist and Teacher)

Miguel Henriques (Pianist and Teacher)

Pedro Burmester (Pianist and Teacher)

Vitorino D'Almeida (Maestro and Composer)

Rui Vieira Nery (Musicologist, Lecturer and Teacher)

João Marques (Director of the International Music Festival of Póvoa de Varzim - FIMPV)

Aires Pereira (Mayor of Póvoa de Varzim)

Luís Diamantino Baptista (Vice-president and Councillor of Education and Culture of the City Council of Póvoa de Varzim and President of Associação Pró-Música)

Organizing Committee: Piano Group of Escola de Música da Póvoa de Varzim

Organization:







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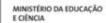
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