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**Music for Youth and Pequot Library
Present the 2019
Marianne Liberatore Memorial Instrumental Competition**

Music for Youth announces the **Marianne Liberatore Memorial Instrumental Competition** for High School instrumentalists who reside in Connecticut. Music for Youth was the creation of Marianne Liberatore and friends with the goal of bringing classical music, professionally performed, into the lives of young people in Fairfield County. This competition is in honor of Marianne and the gift of music she gave to our community through the Free Young Persons' Concerts and school residency and exchange programs.

The award for first place will be \$1,000. The top finalist(s) will be offered an opportunity to present a solo concert in the Emerging Artists Series at Pequot Library.

Music for Youth reserves the right to cancel this competition if we do not receive sufficient number of applications.

How to apply

Interested high school students who reside in Connecticut can apply for this program by completing the application and including a YouTube video link of two live performances of contrasting pieces recorded within the last 6 months. This recording needs to show the hands of the musician at all times.

Up to six finalists will be selected from applicants to compete in the final round, which will be held on Sunday, December 1st at 1 pm at the Pequot Library in Southport.

Deadline

The application package must be postmarked by **Friday, November 22nd**. The applications and YouTube videos will be reviewed and the finalists will be notified no later than Monday November 25th.

Please send in online application and letters of recommendation by email to:

musicforyouthct@gmail.com

Application and letters of recommendation can be mailed to:

Music for Youth

PO Box 403

Westport, CT 06881

For more information please call: (203) 254-0123 or write musicforyouthct@gmail.com



2019 Marianne Liberatore Instrumental Competition

Full Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Email _____ Telephone: Cell/Home _____

DOB _____ School _____ Year of Graduation _____

Instrument _____ Years of study _____

Teacher/s: _____

Address _____ email _____

Title, composer and movement of two contrasting pieces you would perform at Finals:

YouTube video link for Prescreening:

1. Title/MVT _____ Composer _____

YouTube Link: _____

2. Title/MVT _____ Composer _____

YouTube Link: _____

Music Awards: (Please attach if you need more room)

Music Activities : (Please attach if you need more room)

Community Service : (Please attach if you need more room)

A non-refundable fee of \$35 payable to Music for Youth must accompany this application or be postmarked by November 22nd 2019

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2019 Marianne Liberatore Instrumental Competition Rules

Application Process/Deadline

Each application package must include the following:

- Application form
- Links to YouTube videos of two contrasting pieces
- Entry Fee of \$35
 - Checks should be made out to: **Music for Youth, Inc.** and sent to:
Music for Youth
P.O. Box 403, Westport CT 06881
- One letter of recommendation from music teacher
 - Letter can be mailed to
Music for Youth, P.O. Box 403, Westport CT 06881
 - Or emailed to: Musicforyouthct@gmail.com
- **Deadline: all materials must be postmarked by November 22nd.**

Eligibility

- All high school instrumentalists who reside in Fairfield County
- Previous winners of this competition are not eligible to participate.

Repertoire

- YouTube round of submittals will include two contrasting pieces (One may be original)
 - Unless playing solo, an accompanist is required. Pre-recorded accompaniment is not allowed. Hands must be visible at all times during recording.
 - **Music should be performed by memory**
 - All repeats should be omitted
 - No editing of the video is allowed and camera should not be moved during recording.
- Selected finalists will be prepared to play the same two contrasting pieces on Sunday, December 1st with a total performance time of up to 15 minutes. The finalists will hire their accompanists.

Competition Schedule

- Finalists will be notified no later than Sunday, November 25th.
- The winner(s) will be emailed at the end of the Competition on Sunday December 1st.

Prize Awards

- First Prize: \$1,000
- Winner(s) will be invited to perform at the Annual Music for Youth Benefit in 2019
- The top three finalists will be asked to be a soloist in the Emerging Young Artist Concert Series at the Pequot Library.

Final Round

- Judges may stop contestants during the performance without penalty
- One hard copy of music should be made available to the judges
- The final round on Sunday, December 1st will be open to the public.

Award Decisions

- If in the opinion of the judges, there are no outstanding prize-winners, the monetary awards will be added to the competition prizes for the following year. Judges' decision is final.

Release

- By signing the application contestants agree to give photo/audio/video for general promotional use by Music for Youth Inc.