



2018 EL PASO SOCIETY FOR MUSICIANS OF THE FUTURE (EPSMF) COMPETITION FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS

The EPSMF Competition for Young Musicians is open to all soloists from ages 8 -19 for all instruments and voice. This includes students in their freshman year of college providing they have not passed their twentieth birthday before the closing date for the competition.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – please read carefully.

- Each applicant must submit a completed application (see below), an audition recording, an application fee payment of \$25 and a current photograph.
- Incomplete or late applications will not be accepted.
- All materials submitted for this competition become the property of The El Paso Society of Musicians of the Future and cannot be returned.

The audition recording must be a CD. The audition recording must be no longer than 10 minutes total and contain two selections of contrasting content from standard classical repertoire from any musical period. Your audition CD must be of high quality and clearly labeled. Please do NOT attach any sticky labels to the CD.

Name	Repertoire	Date
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The soloist application fee of \$25 is due at the time of application. Payment must be made by personal check or money order made out to EPSMF. Please be sure to include the number of the check or money order on the application form.

In a single envelope, include this completed application form (pages 3 - 6 of this document), your payment for \$25, the audition recording, and a current photograph.

Mail to:

EPSMF Competition for Young Musicians
701 Waltham Court
El Paso, Texas 79922

All applications must be postmarked on or before January 31, 2018.

For more information on the El Paso Society for Musicians of the Future visit www.epsmf.org.



If an accompanist is required, the competitor must provide his/her own.

Six (6) applicants will be selected as finalists and will be required to perform no more than twenty (20) minutes of music, which should contain selections of contrasting content from standard classical repertoire from any musical period. All final competitive performances will be recorded during a public recital. Judges will choose the winners from these recordings. The names of all participants in the finals will be posted on the EPSMF website on March 15, 2018.

Finalists will be notified of the date, time, and location of the competition recital. The Finalists of the 2018 EPSMF Competition for Young Musicians will be notified by an EPSMF representative regarding their competition standings. Competition results will be posted on the EPMSF website on (date TBD).

The First Place Winner must be available to perform at the EPSMF Summer concert on a designated date in June/July 2018. The Winner, Place Holders, and Finalists must participate in Outreach activities through the EPSMF Leadership Program during the 2018-2019 year as designated and mutually agreed upon with EPSMF.

All travel and lodging, if applicable, are at the competitor’s expense.

2018 EPSMF COMPETITION FOR YOUNG MUSICIANS AWARDS

2018 Competition Winner	\$1,800 plus performance at the June/July 2018 EPSMF Summer Concert
2018 Second Place	\$700
2018 Third Place	\$500

The First, Second and Third Place Winners as well as each of the Finalists will receive Certificates of Accomplishment. Alternate finalists will receive Certificates of Appreciation.

***** All decisions of the EPSMF Judges are final. *****

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Name _____ **Date of Birth** _____ **Age** _____
First, Middle Initial, Last

Gender (Circle one): M F **Grade Level** _____ **Expected HS Graduation Date** _____

Instrument/Voice Part _____ **Years of Study** _____

Current Address _____
Street, City, State, Zip Code

Home Phone _____ **Cell Phone** _____ **Email** _____

Permanent Address _____
Street, City, State, Zip, Code

Parent/Guardian Name(s) _____ **Relation(s)** _____

Parent/Guardian Home Phone Number(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Cell Phone Number(s) _____

Parent/Guardian Email Address (es) _____

Music Teacher _____ **Phone** _____

Address _____ **E-mail** _____

Music School/Program _____ **Phone** _____

Address _____ **Website/URL** _____

Academic School _____ **Phone** _____

Address _____ **Website/URL** _____

What type of school do you attend (Circle)? a) Public b) Private c) Home school

Have you been accepted to a post-high school program (Circle one)? a) Yes b) No

If yes, please list _____



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Apart from your performance, we would like the audience to get to know you a little. There will be a light-hearted interview for which you will know the questions beforehand. To help us, so that we can make this an entertaining time for the audience and fun for you, please give us detail regarding the following areas. None of these questions will have a bearing on the selection process. (Attach additional sheets to this application if necessary.)

- 1) How did you become interested and involved in music?

- 2) Do you have a web site or any online videos showcasing your music? (*Myspace, YouTube*) URL:

- 3) What other instruments and/or styles of music do you play?

- 4) Do you play in an ensemble, youth orchestra, or sing in a choir? If so, please list:

- 5) Have you participated in summer music festivals, special programs, or master classes? If so, please list highlights:

- 6) Other than music, what commitments or passions fill your time?

- 7) Putting aside achievement, what is really fun for you? What do you look forward to?



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8) What volunteer work do you do in your community?

9) List four memorable personal life experiences (good, bad, ugly or funny...at least two should be non-music related):

a)

b)

c)

d)

10) What is the strangest thing about you?

11) If there is one famous musician that you would like to perform with, who would it be and why?

12) Include two references neither of which can be a parent: one musical and one non-musical. Please name the relationship to the applicant. Attach additional pages to this application.

