

Washington State
Music Teachers Association
**Outstanding Artist
Competition**
November 4 - 6, 2011

Central Washington University
Ellensburg, WA

CASH AWARDS

Senior Piano Division (age 15-18)

1st - \$300.00

2nd - \$200.00; **3rd** - \$100.00

Junior Piano Division (age 11-14)

1st - \$200.00

2nd - \$100.00; **3rd** - \$75.00

Winners of both divisions will be invited to perform in the Washington State
Winners Recital at the June 2012 Conference.

Entry deadline: September 13, 2011

The WSMTA Outstanding Artist Competition was established in 2005 to provide another performance opportunity for talented pianists from our state. It runs concurrently with the MTNA Competition but is not part of the MTNA Competition. The Outstanding Artist Competition can serve as a positive initial step for students wanting to compete in the MTNA Performance Competitions in future years.

WSMTA expresses its sincere appreciation to Central Washington University for the use of their facilities during our competition.

The WSMTA OAC Committee

Julie Swienty, OAC Chair swienty@clearwire.net

General Rules:

- Decisions of competition judges are final.
- A first-place winner may not participate in the same competition category again.
- Competition performances are open to the public.
- Audio or video recording and photography of the competitions are strongly discouraged.

Entrant Information:

- An entrant must be a resident of Washington State or a student of a WSMTA member.
- All entry fees are nonrefundable.
- Competition financial obligations are the responsibility of the entrant and teacher.
- Entry deadline is September 13, 2011

WSMTA Member Teachers:

- Current membership dues for MTNA and WSMTA must be paid on or before September 13, 2011.
- **A teacher may not enter the same student in both WSMTA OAC and MTNA Performance Competition in the same year.**
- Teacher entry fees: \$40.00 for first student and \$20 for each additional student entered. Member Competition fees must be paid on or before September 13, 2011.

WSMTA Nonmember Teachers:

- Nonmembers have the option of becoming a member of MTNA and WSMTA or paying a Teacher Entry Fee of \$150.00 for first student and \$20.00 for each additional student. Nonmember Competition fees must be paid on or before September 13, 2011.

Repertoire Requirements:

- **Junior Division:** Age: 11-14 as of January 1, 2011
 - o Entry Fee: \$60.00
 - o Maximum performance time: twenty (20) minutes.
- **Senior Division:** Age: 15-18 as of January 1, 2011
 - o Entry Fee: \$75.00
 - o Maximum performance time: twenty-five (25) minutes
- Each program must contain stylistically varied compositions from at least two contrasting style periods.
- Memorization is required for all repertoire.
- Concerto performances are not permitted.
- Compositions for prepared piano are not permitted.
- Transcriptions are allowed.

Competition Music:

- All entrants must abide by the federal Copyright Law. Photocopies are strongly discouraged.
- Entrants must provide the judges one score for each work listed on the application form.
- Measures must be numbered at the beginning of each system.
- Students must perform the repertoire listed on the original application.
- Teachers should verify that all repertoire listings are correct before submission of the application.
- No changes in repertoire are allowed.

Competition Performance Procedures:

- No minimum time limit.
- Programmed music may exceed maximum time limit.
- Performance will be stopped when stated or maximum time is reached (does not affect results).
- Student chooses first selection; judges determine remaining order of performance.

Competition Agreement

It is the responsibility of the **teacher, entrant and parent or guardian** to abide by all rules and regulations for the WSMTA Outstanding Artist Competition. Failure to meet this responsibility will result in the disqualification of the entrant.

**Entry Form is only available online at
wsmta.net, except for non-members.**

Mail a copy of the completed entry form and checks payable to WSMTA to:
Julie Swienty, OAC Chair, 29118 152nd Ave. SE Kent, WA 98042

Deadline: Postmarked no later than September 13, 2011. All fees are nonrefundable