

Terrace Hill Endowment for the Musical Arts Senior Competition Requirements

The Senior competition will take place on **Saturday, February 10, 2018** at the studios of Iowa Public Television in Johnston.

Eligibility: All applicants must be Iowa high school seniors planning to major or minor in piano.

Repertoire Requirements: All selections must be performed from memory. **Each applicant's program must be 15-18 minutes in length, and consist of solo repertoire from at least three different stylistic periods.** Applicants not meeting these requirements, including the specified program length, will be disqualified. (Due to Iowa Public Television requirements the timing limitations must be strictly enforced.) No changes in repertoire are allowed following submission of the application.

Application: Submit the official entry form along with a non-refundable fee of \$35. Checks should be made payable to *THEMA*. The entry form and fee are to be postmarked no later than **January 6, 2018**.

Applicants must include a recording of the performance of their submitted repertoire. The recording may be in any of the following formats: CD, DVD, or MP3. If submitting an MP3 file it may be on a CD, DVD, or USB flash drive. It may also be sent separately via e-mail. (Submitted media, including flash drives, will not be returned.) A maximum of six semi-finalists will be selected, based strictly on the review of these recordings. Each submission will remain anonymous during its review by at least two members of the THEMA board of trustees.

Acceptance: Applicants selected as semi-finalists will be notified no later than January 17, 2018.

Competition Schedule: The semi-finalists' competition will be Saturday morning, February 10. The three contestants selected as finalists will play again on that Saturday afternoon.

Scholarships. Each of the three Senior-level finalists will be awarded a scholarship over a two-year period to enroll as a piano major or minor at any Iowa college or university, with the winner receiving "The First Family of Iowa Scholarship." Scholarship amounts for 2018 are set as: first place, \$5,000; second place, \$3,000; third place, \$2,000. Fund raising efforts to increase the scholarships are under way. The final, official scholarship amounts will be posted by December 15, 2017. All three finalists may be invited to perform at future Terrace Hill events.

Dates to Remember:

January 6	Postmark deadline for entry form, fee, and recording
January 17	Notification of participants
February 10	Senior-level semi-finals and finals

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