

**ASTA San Francisco - Solo Competition 2018**  
**The Crowden Music Center**  
**May 6, 2018**

ASTA San Francisco will hold the Youth and Junior Division Finals of its 2018 Solo Competition at the Crowden Music Center in Berkeley on May 6, 2018. The application period runs from February 5-April 1, 2018. Please note that there will be no Senior division this year.

**Eligibility**

1. For students of violin, viola, cello, double bass, guitar and harp whose teachers are ASTA SF members.
2. There are two age categories (age as of May 6, 2018): Youth Div: through age 14, Junior Div.: 15-18
3. Students who received cash awards in 2017 and any first place winners from previous years are not eligible to compete this year unless they have aged up into an older division.

**Repertoire**

1. Two works or movements of works from the standard literature are required: one from the Baroque or Classical period, and one from a contrasting period. A third piece may be included if the total duration of all three pieces does not exceed 15 minutes.
2. All music must be memorized at the live audition. Judges must be provided with a full original score of each work. No photocopies are allowed unless the music is in the public domain or they are digital copies with a purchase receipt.
3. Piano accompaniment is required where appropriate.

**Preliminary Video Audition Requirements**

1. Memorization is not required for the preliminary round.
2. Applicants must submit recordings of themselves playing each of their selected audition pieces in their entirety. There should be no breaks or edits in the recordings and the applicants must be visible during the whole performance.
3. Students need to provide a separate private or unlisted link for each video recording uploaded to YouTube when they fill out the online application.
4. Piano accompaniment is required where appropriate. Lengthy piano interludes may be cut.
5. Students who do not advance to the final round will be sent comments by the selection committee.

**Application Deadline**

We will begin accepting applications online this year starting Monday, February 5, 2018. The link will be sent out via email to all ASTA San Francisco members and can be accessed at [www.calasta.org/sf.php](http://www.calasta.org/sf.php) or by cutting and pasting this link:

[https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdXX603jGno3zu-ery03y77BBF2ketiyP8JvSyhIn9S0OR49g/vie wform?usp=sf\\_link](https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdXX603jGno3zu-ery03y77BBF2ketiyP8JvSyhIn9S0OR49g/vie wform?usp=sf_link)

The last day to submit applications and videos will be Sunday, April 1, 2018. The application fee is \$55.

**Awards and Winner's Promotion**

Judges may award special cash prizes up to \$500 for each division. This award money may be given to a single winner or multiple winners at the judges' discretion. Winners of ASTA San Francisco's 2017 and 2018 Solo Competitions may be invited to participate in the CalASTA bi-annual State Competition in October 2018.

We reserve the right to cancel the competition if fewer than 10 applicants per division apply.  
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