# **PianoFest**

# Masterclass

February 2017, 10, 11 & 12

# RULES.

#### 1. PARTICIPANTS

De masterclass addresses to:

- a) Young Talents of a music academy or music school
- b) Students of a Conservatory or higher musical institution (in Belgium or abroad)
- c) Young professionals who want to improve themselves

#### 1.1. SELECTION

Admissions for the masterclass are decided based on a DVD or Youtube recording

#### 1.2. NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

The number of participants at the PianoFest Masterclass is limited to 6.

#### 2. ORGANISATION OF THE MASTERCLASS

#### **2.1.** DATES

The masterclass takes place from 10 to 12 February 2017. Each participant is supposed to stay for 3 entire days of the masterclass.

Schedule of the masterclass:

- Friday 10<sup>th</sup> of February: from 1pm to 4pm and from 4:30pm to 6pm
- Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> of February: from 9:30am to 12:30pm and from 1pm to 2:30pm
- Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> of February: from 9:30am to 12;30pm and from 1pm to 2:30pm

Participants are asked to stay till after the final concert (Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> of February, 7pm). They will received a proof of participation during the final gala reception of the festival.

#### 2.2 START OF THE MASTERCLASS

The welcoming of the participant will take place on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February 2017 at noon in the Music Academy of Sint-Niklaas. Lunch will be provided by the Festival.

#### 2.3 NUMBER OF LESSONS

Each participant will take part in 3 lessons that all last 45 minutes, given by 3 internationally renowned teachers.

#### 2.4 Individual schedule

Every participant will receive his personal schedule at the beginning of the PianoFest Masterclass.

We strongly advice all students to attend lessons of other students as well. Special requests (e.g. not being able to be present at a certain time during the festival) should be communicated in advance.

The organisation of PianoFest will aspire to meet your request, as far as possible.

# 2.5 REPERTOIRE

Each participant is requested to prepare a different repertoire for each teacher, except in case a piece is extensive enough to present different movements or passages to each teacher (e.g. a sonata or concerto with different movements).

#### 2.6 CONCERTS

#### 2.6.1 Concerts of the participants

All participants will have the opportunity to play during the final concert of the Masterclass, which will take place on the 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2017. Participants will not be compensated.

Each participant receives 2 free tickets, if they request this in advance. Participants who have their last lesson on Sunday will be given the opportunity to play near the end of the concert.

#### 2.6.2 PianoFest's concerts

All participants in the Masterclass must attend the concerts of the Festival. They will be provided with free tickets.

#### 2.7 LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Leisure activities will be organised by PianoFest.

- Saturday February 11, 17 h-18.30 h
- Sunday February 12, 16.30 h-18 h

Participating in these activities is not obligatory. Participants who wish to subscribe for these activities can do so on the eve before the event. All activities will be organised by qualified personnel.

# 3. INFRASTRUCTURE

# 3.1 BUILDINGS

#### 3.1.1 Masterclass

All lessons take place in 'de Salons' Address: Stationsstraat 85, 9100

Phone: 0032 3 778 34 60

#### 3.1.2 Concerts

The participant's concert will take place in 'de Salons'

Address: Stationsstraat 85, 9100 Sint-Niklaas

Phone: 0032 3 778 34 60

#### 3.2 ACCOMODATION

Participants will reside with host families.

Lunch (sandwiches and drinks) will be provided by PianoFest.

Dinner will either be provided by the host families (for minors) or by the participants themselves if they wish to dine somewhere else.

#### 3.3.1 Allergies

If a participant has an allergy of some sort, or needs a special diet, do not forget to mention this on the inscription form and in your reply (email) to the host family.

#### 3.4 SUPERVISION

Minors will be supervised at all time.

Supervisors are also available to other students for questions or in case of emergency.

The organisation remains available and on-site during the whole Masterclass. Leisure activities will be organised by qualified personnel.

# 3.5 PERSONAL STUDIES

All participants will have the opportunity to practice on a piano each day and to warm up for the Masterclasses at the Muziekacademie Sint-Niklaas, Hofstraat 13, 9100 Sint-Niklaas.

Some host families will also have a piano at home.

# 3.6 Transportation

Transportation will be organised each morning and evening for every student. It will be organised on a specific schedule and can unfortunately not be personalised for each participant.

If necessary, it is possible for participants to organise transportation with his or her host family.

### 4. REGISTRATION

#### **4.1 REGISTRATION**

Registration for the Masterclass is done online on the website www.pianofest.be, via the subsection 'Masterclass- Inscription'.

#### 4.1.1 Required documents

Apart from the online form we ask participants to provide the following documents by mail:

- A recent picture
- A short biography

#### **4.2 FINANCIAL CONDITIONS**

The cost for participating in the Masterclass is 250 EUR for each candidate. Participation to the Masterclass gives the student the right to 3 lessons with the teachers, free access to all activities of the PianoFest Festival. Housing and breakfasts will be provided by host families. Daily costs will not be compensated.