

# The Sound of Hope International Music Festival

The SHIMF supports students to grow their music maturity and encourage them to study music. The Applicants will submit the performance video by uploading it to YouTube and setting it as private view. When you are done uploading, go to the link of the application form and fill in the YouTube link. (If you previously signed into your Google account when you do the registration, you have all the information saved so you will only need to fill in the YouTube link. If you didn't save the registration account, then just fill all the information again with the YouTube link).

*Eligibility:* SHIMF is open to both the students who are age 4-18 as of May 15th, 2022 and the adults for US and China Hongkong.

*Application Deadline:* April 20th, 2022

*Registration Fee Payment Deadline:* April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022

*YouTube link Submission Deadline:* May 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022

*Registration Fee:* \$60 per contestant per division of category. Contestants may enter multiple categories, in that case, applicants must complete separate applications and pay the required fee for each division. If the contestant enters the solo categories and the ensemble categories, they will pay the regular fee for the solo category and \$30 for the ensemble category.

*Registration Fee Payment Method:* The registration fee is only accepted by check, cash, Zelle or Paypal by input violinmanwang@netscape.net

*Award Ceremony Time:*

Sound of Hope Young Artist Concert and Awards Ceremony.  
June 5th, 2022 6:00 PM, Concert begins 7:00 pm

*Award Ceremony Location:*

TBA

## Registration at:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdaSyOxawFGcmquoS8zVqAATVj2GiWYLbsGeROnVAI1GhSauA/viewform> available April 1st, 2022

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## Award Ceremony Attendance:

Mandatory attendance of the Award Ceremony for the US Winners by signed agreement of the rules when registration. International winners will receive the awards by mail and no in person attendance required.

## Divisions and Performance Time Limit

SOLO			
Solo Piano, Solo Flute, Solo Clarinet	Solo String & Solo Guitar	Solo Chinese Music Instruments: Guzheng, Erhu, Pipa, Guqin etc.	Solo Vocal
Prodigy I (4-6)&Beginner Div 2-3 Min.	Prodigy I (4-6)&Beginner Div 3 Min.	Prodigy I (4-6) Beginner Div. 3 min.	Prodigy I (4-6) Beginner Div. 3 min.
Prodigy II (7-9) 4 min.	Prodigy II (7-9) 4 min.	Prodigy II (7-9) 4 min.	Prodigy II (7-9) 4 min.
Prodigy III (10-12) 5 min	Prodigy III (10-12) 5 min	Prodigy III (10-12) 5 min	Prodigy III (10-12) 5 min
Junior (13-15) 5 min.	Junior (13-15) 5 min.	Junior (13-15) 5 min.	Junior (13-15) 5 min.
Senior (16-18) 7 min	Senior (16-18) 7 min	Senior (16-18) 7 min	Senior (16-18) 7 min
Ensemble			
Piano Ensemble	Piano & String Ensemble	String Ensemble	Band Ensemble
Prodigy Ensemble (5-12) 5 min.			
Young Artist Ensemble(13-18) 7 min.			

## Rules and Regulation

Age placement is determined by the contestants' age on May 15th.

Application form must be filled online or Wechat at

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdaSyOxawFGcmguoS8zVqAATVj2GiWYLbsGeRONVAI1GhSauA/viewform> (available after April 1st, 2022). \$60.00 registration fee must be paid to Hope School of Music by April 20<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The registration fee is only accepted in check, cash, Zelle or Paypal by input [violinmanwang@netscape.net](mailto:violinmanwang@netscape.net)

Memorization is optional to all pieces. But if the applicant plays with memorization, they will gain a higher score.

Contestants may enter multiple categories, in that case, applicants must complete separate applications and pay the required fee for each division. If the contestant enters the solo categories and the ensemble categories, they will pay the regular fee for the solo category and \$30 for the ensemble category.

Piano accompaniment is optional. Applicants are responsible for arranging for their own pianists.

No warmup room is provided.

First place winners may not enter the same or a lower category the year following their first-place win.

Schedule requests will not be accepted.

Late entries may be accommodated for an additional \$10 processing fee for each contestant.

Contestants must check-in at the competition venue no later than 30 minutes prior to the Award Ceremony Concert.

Competitors must provide original scores at the time of performance (No photocopies).

Each candidate will be judged by the highest artistic standards in regard to musicianship, technical proficiency, selection of repertoire, stage presence and artistry.

Each Division will be divided by groups, each group will have a maximum of 6 contestants, each group will be awarded 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place and Gold, Silver and Bronze medals.

The SHIMF judges reserves the right to alter the finalist selection and also the right to withhold granting a division prize should there be a lack of a suitable candidate. All judgments are final.

Formal attire is required for preliminary video audition and final performance.

Winners must be available to perform live for the adjudication panel on June 5th, 2022, exclude the international winners.

Beginner division is for students who only learned their instrument one year with private lessons with a private teacher signed verification letter to prove it.

## *Repertoire requirements*

### Solo Piano:

Piano Prodigy I and the Piano Beginner Division: One work from the major music period.

Solo Strings: One work from Baroque, Classical, Romantic or Contemporary music period.

Solo flute, Clarinet, Guitar : One work from Baroque, Classical, Romantic or Contemporary music period.

Solo Chinese instruments: One work from Chinese music literature.

Solo Vocal: One song from any music periods.

Ensemble: One complete movement or piece from major work.

## *Cash Awards*

Entire Piano, Flute, Clarinet Division

1<sup>st</sup>Place: \$ 100

Entire String and Guitar Division

1<sup>st</sup>Place: \$ 100

Entire Ensemble Division

1<sup>st</sup>Place: \$ 100

Entire Chinese Music Instruments: \$100

Grand Prize Winner receives an extra \$ 200