



**Young Musicians Competition
2020
SCHEDULE, PROCESS, RULES &
REQUIREMENTS**



Dates:

1. **Competition - One Day Only:** Saturday, March 21st, Grass Valley United Methodist Church, 236 S. Church St., Grass Valley. Twelve finalists chosen for the Showcase Concert.
2. **Showcase Concert:** 2:00 pm Saturday, March 28, Grass Valley United Methodist Church, 236 S. Church St., Grass Valley.

The top twelve finalists, as chosen by the competition judges, will be invited to perform at the Showcase Concert. All participants are encouraged to attend.

Process:

- Scheduled times and locations for check-in, warm-ups and judging are set by the contest committee and shall be considered final. Participants will be provided their scheduled times by Monday, March 9th.
- Due to time constraints applicants will be scheduled on a first come, first served basis. This competition is intended to meet students' needs and to support private and public school music teachers. The competition concludes with a Showcase Concert open to the public. At the conclusion of the concert the Paul Perry Award for the best student performance of the day will be announced.
- All written evaluations/critiques and certificates of participation will be given to each participant at the end of each division.
- All awards in each category and division are presented at the discretion of the judges.
- The top 12 students, as selected by the judges, will be invited to perform at the Showcase Concert. All participants are encouraged to attend the concert.
- The awards in each age division will be presented at the end of competition on March 21st.

Application:

Completed applications must be delivered to the MIM office or postmarked by **Friday, February 21, 2020** with your entry fee.

Entry fees:

\$15. grades 3-6

\$25. grades 7-12

For those who cannot afford the application fee a scholarship may be provided upon request.

Parents **MUST** sign each application form. Applications are available to download online at **musicinthemountains.org/education** or **ncrotary.org**. Applications may also be obtained at the MIM business or box office at 131 S. Auburn St., Suite D. Grass Valley. The offices are open Monday through Friday, noon to 4:00 pm.

Bring or mail your application to:

Music in the Mountains
Attn: Marge Shasberger
131 S. Auburn Street, Suite D
Grass Valley CA 95945
530-265-6173

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Rules:

1. For the Young Musicians Competition, applicants must live and/or study music in Nevada, Sierra, Placer, Sutter, Butte or Yuba counties.
2. For the Rotary competition winner only, applicants must be a high school student in 9th through 12th grade, who attends school and resides in Nevada County (excluding the Truckee area).
3. All participants **MUST BRING 3 COPIES OF THE MUSIC SCORES** for judges with title and composer's name on each copy.
4. Appropriate performance attire is required at all events.
5. March 21st competition is CLOSED to the public.
6. Warm-up and competition schedule will be available by March 9th.
7. No ensembles in 2020, only solos.
8. It is essential to maintain QUIET in all spaces near the judging rooms.

Literature Requirements:

- 1) Music does NOT need to be memorized.
- 2) Applicants are responsible for their own accompaniment. Pianos will be available for each category if needed.
- 3) Young Musicians Competition music must be classical, Broadway, or jazz repertoire.
- 4) For the Rotary competition, any musical choice is appropriate. Only one piece can be selected for the District Competition in Sparks, NV.

Categories:

A. Piano/Harp (solo) B. Strings (solo) C. Woodwinds and Brass (solo) D. Miscellaneous (solo)

Divisions & Awards:

Division One (grades 3-4):

Participants will receive a written critique and participation certificate. One piece, not to exceed 5 minutes.
Prize money only in older divisions.

Division Two (grades 5-6):

Participants will receive a written critique and participation certificate. One piece, not to exceed 5 minutes.
Prize money only in older divisions.

Division Three (grades 7-8):

1 st Place	\$100
2 nd Place	\$50
3 rd Place	\$25

One piece, not to exceed 8 minutes.

Division Four (grades 9-12):

1 st Place	\$200
2 nd Place	\$150
3 rd Place	\$100

One piece, not to exceed 8 minutes.

The Rotary Competition is open to students who attend school and reside in Nevada County (excluding the Truckee area). The award will be given to the highest scoring high school student (9th through 12th grade) in Division 4, as determined by the competition judges.