

RISING STARS COMPETITIONS 2021 OVERVIEW



The competitions are designed to give rising stars from the Bay of Plenty a platform to exhibit their talent, and to introduce them to the New Zealand public. There will be two categories: the concerto competition for young instrumentalists and a competition for young composers. Note that there will be no aria competition this year.

Detailed instructions for entry are given in the separate document *Guidelines for Applicants*.

Entries for the 2021 competitions are now open!

The competitions are open to students who will be from 12 to 18 years old on 21st August 2021*, and enrolled at any school (or home-schooled) in the Bay of Plenty. The competition concert will take place on Saturday 21st August 2021 at a venue to be announced.

Competition winners will be awarded a cash prize.

* *Birthday between 22nd August 2002 and 21st August 2009 inclusive.*

A. CONCERTO COMPETITION

The Concerto Competition presents an opportunity for 12-18 year old students from the Bay of Plenty to compete as soloists in front of an audience, with the accompaniment of a live orchestra.

A panel nominated by Bay of Plenty Symphonia aims to select up to six finalists from recordings submitted by entrants. Finalists will perform live with Bay of Plenty Symphonia and the final independent judging panel, made up of respected professional classical musicians, will select the winner based on this performance.

Registration and entry for the Concerto Competition has two steps:

- Entry form completed and emailed **or** posted (to arrive by **5 pm Fri 26th February 2021**)
- Audition clip uploaded to YouTube (private setting) and link emailed to bopssecretary@gmail.com
(see *Guidelines for Applicants* for submission date)

B. COMPOSITION COMPETITION

The Composition Competition allows secondary school level students to have an original work played to an audience by a live orchestra. The judging panel will select the winning entry from the full scores submitted, and the winning piece will be performed by Bay of Plenty Symphonia at the concert on 21st August.

Registration and entry for the Composition Competition has the following main steps:

- Entry form completed and emailed **or** posted to arrive by **5 pm Fri 26th February 2021**
- Submission of full score for judging
- Winner submits parts for all players (see *Guidelines for Applicants* for submission dates)

TO ENTER EITHER COMPETITION

Read the ***Guidelines for Applicants*** carefully and contact Bay of Plenty Symphonia if you have any questions.

Complete and submit the Entry form (email bopssecretary@gmail.com to request one) or download from our website www.bopsymphonia.org.nz.