



**CYPRUS SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA FOUNDATION  
YOUNG SOLOISTS' COMPETITION  
DECEMBER 2024**

The Cyprus Symphony Orchestra Foundation announces the Young Soloists' Competition 2024.

The Competition aims to provide the platform to young soloists to showcase their talent and receive the opportunity to participate with the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra. The finalists will perform as soloists alongside the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra in December 2024, under the baton of acclaimed conductor Charles Olivieri-Munroe. The competition's winner will receive an official invitation to perform as a soloist with the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra in one of its Premiere Series Concerts during 2025/2026.

**Rules and Regulations**

**1. Eligibility**

- Applicants must be up to 30 years of age on the dates of the concerts (11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2024).
- Applicants must be Cypriot citizens or permanent residents in Cyprus (holders of work permit in Cyprus).
- Applicants must hold a degree or diploma in their specialization (instrument) from a recognized Music Institution in Cyprus or a recognized foreign Music Institution.

**2. Instruments**

- The competition is open for the following instrumental groups: Strings, Woodwinds, Brass, Percussion, Harp, Piano, Voice.

**3. Electronic applications must include:**

- 1) A YouTube link with a video of a performance of the applicant's choice with or without piano accompaniment.

*Note1.: in case the applicant is selected as a finalist, his/her performed work with the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra may differ from the one he/she sent with the application.*

*Note2.: Video must be sent as a YouTube link and no other way will be acceptable.*

- 2) The application form thoroughly filled and signed

*Note1: The application form is available on the CYSO website on the announcements area.*

*Note2: By signing the application form the applicant accepts the rules and regulations. Applications that are not signed will be not be considered as valid.*

- 3) Curriculum Vitae

- 4) Copies of degrees or diplomas from a recognized Music Institution in Cyprus or a recognized foreign Music Institution.

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- 5) Receipt of registration fee €30. The registration fee must be deposited into the Foundation's bank account with the applicant's name and the indication "young soloist" Hellenic Bank, IBAN: CY03005001220001220139047601  
SWIFT: HEBACY2N

**Deadline:**

- Applications must be submitted by email to Mrs. Antigoni Antoniou on [a.antoniou@cyso.org.cy](mailto:a.antoniou@cyso.org.cy) with the indication "Young Soloists' Competition" **no later than the 3<sup>rd</sup> of September 2024, at 13:00 Cyprus time.**

**4. Committee**

The committee responsible for the evaluations of the applications consists of the Cyprus Symphony Orchestra Artistic Committee and the conductor of the concerts.

**5. Information to successful applicants**

The selected finalists to participate at the concert will be notified **by the 4<sup>th</sup> of October 2024**. They will also be notified about the work they will perform with the orchestra on the same date. It is clarified that the final selection of the work will be made in consultation with the finalists and will be in accordance with the size of the orchestra.

**6. Concerts and selection of winner**

The finalists will participate in one of the two scheduled concerts, that will take place at the Pallas Theatre Nicosia on the 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2024. Concerts will be open to the public and the winner will be selected by the members of the orchestra through secret voting, following the general rehearsals. The winner will be announced at the end of the concert on the 12<sup>th</sup> of December 2024.

**7. Flight-Transportation-Accommodation**

- 7.1 Candidates are responsible for their own travel arrangements and expenses incurred for their participation in the competition.
- 7.2 Neither the CySOF (Cyprus Symphony Orchestra Foundation), nor its administrative staff or any other person involved in any way in the competition, either in the organization or the committee is liable for covering or refunding the applicants for any of their expenses.

**8. Miscellaneous**

- 8.1 In case of non-compliance with, or violation of any part of these rules, or tampering with the entry process, or the competition process, the jury reserves the right to disqualify and/or exclude, any candidates from the competitions.
- 8.2 Non-acceptance of the Competition's Rules will automatically result in the candidate's disqualification.
- 8.3 The CySOF reserves the right to amend the rules, notifying the candidates accordingly, should it consider it necessary so to do.

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