



The Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota 2023 Piano Competition

Rules and Regulations

The Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota 2023 Piano Competition is designed to encourage pianists to explore the music of Edvard Grieg and Nordic composers; raise awareness of the Edvard Grieg Society locally, nationally and internationally; and provide cash awards and performance opportunities for competition winners.

***First Prize: \$1,500 CASH AWARD
&
Winner's Recital Performance - August 2, 2024***

Second Prize: \$1,000 CASH AWARD

Third Prize: \$250 CASH AWARD

Prizes awarded in both Youth & Adult Divisions
PLUS Performance opportunities for all place winners!

Age and Eligibility

- Youth Division: open to pianists ages 18 and under as of September 1, 2023
- Adult Division: open to pianists ages 19 and older as of September 1, 2023

How to Apply

- Applications and MP3 audio recordings must be submitted to edvardgriegsocietymn@gmail.com
- A non-refundable application fee of \$25 must be paid online. Details are available at <http://norwayhouse.org/egsmn/>
- **SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIALS AND APPLICATION FEE IS April 1, 2023.** Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Competition Schedule

- The competition features a Preliminary Round/Audio Screening in April 2023, followed by a Final Round/Live Auditions in Minneapolis on August 5, 2023
- Repertoire and requirements for each Round and Division are listed on the next page
- **MEMORIZATION IS REQUIRED FOR THE FINAL ROUND/LIVE AUDITIONS**

Preliminary Round/Audio Screening: April 2023

Contestants must submit an Application, an MP3 recording, and a non-refundable application fee of \$25 no later than April 1, 2023 to the Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota at edvardgriegsocietymn@gmail.com. All Finalists will be notified via email by **May 1, 2023**, and must indicate their acceptance to compete in the Finals by submitting a **brief biography (250 words or less) and headshot by May 15, 2023**. In-person **Finals will be held in Minneapolis on August 5, 2023** at Norway House, located at 913 E Franklin Avenue, and the adjacent Mindekirken Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church. The public is invited to attend (pay-as-able donation requested).

Youth and Adult Divisions: Repertoire requirements for the Preliminary Round/Audio Screening are the same for both Youth and Adult Artists. Contestants must record and submit a program featuring 20 minutes of solo piano music by Edvard Grieg.

Final Round/Live Auditions: August 5, 2023

Live auditions will be held August 5, 2023 at Mindekirken Norwegian Lutheran Memorial Church of Minneapolis, and are open to the public. Awards include a First, Second, and Third Prize Winner in each division (Youth and Adult.) Auditions will be followed by a Reception and Winners' Concert that is open to the public. All finalists are encouraged to attend.

<p>Youth Division:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 minutes of solo piano music by Edvard Grieg from the Preliminary Round/Audio Screening. MEMORIZATION REQUIRED.	<p>Adult Division:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 20 minutes of solo piano music by Edvard Grieg from the Preliminary Round/Audio Screening. MEMORIZATION REQUIRED• Sul g, by Norwegian composer Synne Skouen CLICK HERE FOR A COPY OF THE SCORE (commissioned for the September 2018 International Edvard Grieg Piano Competition in Bergen, Norway.) MEMORIZATION RECOMMENDED
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Compliance – By signing your application, you agree to submit an honest and complete application and other materials, to follow the procedures, rules and expectations for all rounds of competition, and to make yourself available to perform for the **Winner's Recital on August 2, 2024** as well as other concerts and outreach activities of the Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota when possible.

Travel and Accommodations - Live round competitors are responsible for travel expenses/all logistics incurred in connection with the competition. A reception for finalists and guests will be held following the live round of competition.

Questions? Please email the Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota at edvardgriegsocietymn@gmail.com