



# International e-Piano Junior Competition 2021 VIRTUAL!

## APPLICATION

Please type or print clearly in English. Incomplete applications will not be accepted. Applications must be submitted electronically by **JANUARY 3, 2021**. Mailed applications must be postmarked no later than January 2, 2021.

Please include with completed, signed application:

1. Copy of birth certificate or other government proof of date of birth. The copy DOES NOT have to be notarized.
2. Current short biography (300-400 words, please send as text or word document), list of principal teachers, schools, master classes attended, competitions etc.
3. Hi-res image (300 DPI) should be sent to [piano@ecompetition.org](mailto:piano@ecompetition.org).
4. Video recording (upload on Youtube or Youku)—see Repertoire requirements on P. 2 and upload instructions on P. 3.
5. A non-refundable application fee of **\$175.00 USD**.
  - A. A non-refundable check or international money order of **\$175.00** U.S. dollars payable to the International Piano-e-Competition.
  - B. Credit Card Payment via PayPal ([piano@ecompetition.org](mailto:piano@ecompetition.org)). Link is available at [www.piano-e-competition.com/application\\_junior.asp](http://www.piano-e-competition.com/application_junior.asp). **Please be advised that you are responsible for any wire fees.**

Electronic submission of materials is preferred. Physical application and payment can be mailed to:  
**Stella Sick/e-Piano Junior Competition | P. O. Box 1386 | Maple Grove, MN 55311**

### Check ONE category for which you are applying:

**YOUNG ARTIST (17 and under)**

**ASPIRE (14 and under)**

**SPARK (10 and under)**

Last Name (Surname) \_\_\_\_\_ First (Given) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (MM/DD/YYYY) \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Representation \_\_\_\_\_

Country of Residence \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number(s) \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address(es) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Permanent Address (if different) \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Current Principal Teacher \_\_\_\_\_

Current Place of Study \_\_\_\_\_

### Certification

I hereby certify that I have read and understood the rules of the e-Piano Junior Competition, and, if accepted as competitor, will abide by them. I undertake to honor any commitments arising from an award at this competition.

Applicant's Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

# REPERTOIRE

Please fill this part of the application form carefully and accurately, including timing for each composition, as well as key and opus number whenever applicable. **It is your responsibility to make sure your program meets the repertoire and timings requirements of the competition.**

**APPLICATION RECORDING** (for video uploads send a link of the video to [piano@ecompetition.org](mailto:piano@ecompetition.org), postmark deadline January 3, 2021, **Youtube** and **Youku** instructions are on Page 4).

Check ONE category for which you are applying:

\_\_\_ YOUNG ARTIST (17 and under)                      \_\_\_ ASPIRE (14 and under)                      \_\_\_ SPARK (10 and under)

1. 1st mov of a Classical Sonata \_\_\_\_\_  
(**Young Artist:** Beethoven, Mozart, Haydn or Clementi; **Aspire:** Beethoven, Mozart or Haydn; **Spark:** NOT required)
2. Fast Virtuoso Etude \_\_\_\_\_
3. Contestant's Choice (solo only) \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPETITION REPERTOIRE.** The repertoire must follow the requirements of the category for which contestant is applying. Contestants have a choice of how to divide their repertoire into two Rounds. The two programs (Rounds) have to be approximately equal in length. No concertos, solo repertoire only. Selections from the Application recording can be used. No repeats of piece between rounds. Repeats in pieces are up to each contestant.

**Young Artist (total up to 60 min of music), Repertoire must include the following selections:**

- Any Prelude and Fugue from WTC OR Prelude from English Suite by J. S. Bach
- First Movement of a Classical Sonata by Beethoven, Haydn, Mozart or Clementi
- Variations Serieuses Op. 54 by Mendelssohn OR 32 Variations WoO 80 by Beethoven\*

**Aspire (total up to 40 min of music), repertoire must include the following selections:**

- First Movement of a Classical Sonata by Beethoven, Haydn or Mozart
- One Moment Musicaux or Impromptu by Schubert\*

**Spark (total up to 20 min of music), repertoire must include the following selections:**

- Any one Invention or Sinfonia by J. S. Bach
- Any Song Without Words by Mendelssohn\*

|              | Composer | Piece | Duration |
|--------------|----------|-------|----------|
| FIRST ROUND  | _____    | _____ | _____    |
|              | _____    | _____ | _____    |
|              | _____    | _____ | _____    |
|              | _____    | _____ | _____    |
|              | _____    | _____ | _____    |
| SECOND ROUND | _____    | _____ | _____    |
|              | _____    | _____ | _____    |
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\*additional prize will be awarded for the best performance of this required piece

## CONTESTANT RULES

- The e-Piano Junior Competition VIRTUAL! will be held **July 12-18, 2021** in Minneapolis, Minnesota, U. S. A.
- English is the official language of the competition. Please contact the competition with questions concerning the repertoire requirements and interpretation of the rules. Please read all rules and regulations carefully. It is contestant's responsibility to make sure that the program complies with all repertoire and time requirements.
- The e-Piano Junior VIRTUAL! is open to pianists of all nationalities. Applicants can enter the competition in ONE of the following three (3) categories
  - **Young Artist** category is open to all pianists no older than 17 years of age as of July 12, 2021. **CONTESTANTS MUST BE BORN AFTER JULY 12, 2003.**
  - **Aspire** category is open to all pianists no older than 14 years of age as of July 12, 2021. **CONTESTANTS MUST BE BORN AFTER JULY 12, 2006.**
  - **Spark** category is open to all pianists no older than 10 years of age as of July 12, 2021. **CONTESTANTS MUST BE BORN AFTER JULY 12, 2010.**
- Applicants must choose the category in which they compete at the time of the application. Once contestant is admitted to the competition, no changes of the category is allowed.
- E-Piano Junior Competition VIRTUAL! contestants will be chosen, based on their initial application recording. Up to 20 contestants in each category will be selected to compete in e-Piano Junior VIRTUAL!, 60 contestants total.
- Contestants will be asked to record their competition programs using Disklavier/Videosync technology. The recording window will be between January 15 and June 15, 2021. The locations for recordings will be determined by each contestant's geographic location, once the contestants are selected. Recording sites will be in multiple cities around the world.
- Disklavier/Videosync recordings from all contestants will be transmitted to Minneapolis, MN and recreated during the competition in July 2021 on an acoustic Yamaha Disklavier piano with the accompanying synchronized video, in a concert hall, presented for a live jury and audience, if it is deemed safe to have audience at the time of the competition. Each contestant will virtually perform two rounds of the competition (the first round is a non-elimination round), and the winners of the competition will be determined based on the cumulative performance in the two virtual rounds of the competition.
- No contestant may have any member of the jury or the Artistic Director as a principal teacher during the five year period preceding the e-Piano Junior (July 12, 2016 through July 18, 2021). No relative of any juror or the Artistic Director may participate in the e-Piano Junior. Once the competitors are announced in January 2021, they are not allowed to take part in masterclasses or private lessons with the jury members or Artistic Director. Any violation of this rule will disqualify the pianist.
- Contestants may not contact any member of the Jury, including the Artistic Director, as long as they continue to participate in the e-Piano Junior. Any violation of this rule will disqualify the pianist.
- It is the responsibility of the contestants to provide the Competition with a valid Social Security Number (SSN) or Individual Tax Identification Number (ITIN) to receive prize money in full.
- All repertoire must be performed from memory.
- **All video, audio and MIDI recordings, as well as photographs and interviews made during any of the events of the e-Piano Junior Competition will remain the sole property of the e-Piano Junior, International Piano-e-Competition and Musicians in Debut International.**

### \*INSTRUCTIONS FOR UPLOADING VIDEOS TO YOUTUBE:

Please upload all or pieces of your application recording to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) (Chinese contestants can upload to [www.youku.com](http://www.youku.com)). Please follow the rules:

- If you do not already have an account on Youtube or Youku, you will need to create one!
- Please upload separate video for each piece (Sonata, Etude, Contestant's choice)
- Your videos must be unedited and contain no fade ins or fade outs.
- **Basic Info:**
  - Title:** Contestant's full name, composer and name of the piece and category
  - Description:** e-Piano Junior Competition 2021
  - Visibility:** Change to "Unlisted"
- Click "Share" button, then email the link (you will have an option on screen) to [piano@ecompetition.org](mailto:piano@ecompetition.org). In the "Additional note" please write your full name.
- If you are having problems uploading the video, or if you have any questions, please email [piano@ecompetition.org](mailto:piano@ecompetition.org).

## COMPETITION PRIZES

### **Young Artist (ages 17 and under)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – \$7,000 USD
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – \$3,500 USD
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – \$2,000 USD
- 4<sup>th</sup> – \$1,000 USD
- 5<sup>th</sup> – \$750 USD
- Best Variations Prize - \$500

### **Aspire (ages 14 and under)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – \$4,000
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – \$2,000
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – \$1,000
- 4<sup>th</sup> – \$750
- 5<sup>th</sup> – \$500
- Best Schubert Prize - \$300

### **Spark (ages 10 and under)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – \$1,500
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – \$750
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – \$600
- 4<sup>th</sup> – \$400
- 5<sup>th</sup> – \$250
- Best Mendelssohn Prize – \$200

Additional prizes for each category may be added.