



12th Annual ~ Polish Fest CHOPIN YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION

JUNE 20, 2010 (12:30 - 5:00 pm*)

Cultural Stage ~ Milwaukee, WI ~ Summerfest Grounds

JUNIOR DIVISION
(Ages 14 & Under)

SENIOR DIVISION
(Ages 15 -18)

(*) SUBJECT TO CHANGE

1st Prize \$250
3rd Prize \$75

2nd Prize \$100
4th Prize \$50

CHOPIN 2010
200th Anniversary
(1810-2010)

The 12th Annual Chopin Youth Piano Competition is scheduled to take place on **Sunday, June 20, 2010** at Polish Fest in Milwaukee, WI. Polish Fest will be held at the Summerfest Grounds / **Henry W. Maier Festival Park (200 North Harbor Drive, Milwaukee)** on **June 18, 19 & 20, 2010**. Interested piano teachers are highly encouraged to have their advanced student(s) take part in this event! This is a wonderful performance and experience opportunity for your student(s).

RULES & REGULATIONS:

- **PREVIOUS 1st PLACE WINNERS:** May not enter the same division in the Chopin Youth Piano Competition.
- **ELIGIBILITY:** Open to all non-professional pianists up through the age of 18.
- **LENGTH OF PERFORMANCE:** Selected piece should preferably not exceed **10 minutes** in length.
- **PERFORM ANY (1) ONE ORIGINAL COMPOSITION** written by Frederic Chopin. Arrangements are not allowed!
 - Select any Ballade, Etude, Impromptu, Mazurka, Nocturne, Polonaise, Prelude, Sonata (one movement), Waltz, etc.
 - Selected piece must be performed completely from memory, in its entirety on competition day. Please keep in mind that the audition piece used for your submission and consideration must be the same piece that will be performed on competition day, should said applicant be chosen as a finalist. There will be no exceptions made.
- **PRELIMINARY AUDITION (AUDIO/VHS/DVD or CD):** All applicants are required to submit an audition of the piece they will be performing. Submit an audio/video tape (VHS only) or CD/DVD (CD-R, DVD-R, DVD+R, etc.). Recordings submitted for audition, may be done at home or studio and need not be professionally recorded. Any recordings that are inaudible or of poor quality, will be automatically disqualified. Please make sure to review your recording before submitting your audition for review. All submissions become property of the (CYPC) Chopin Youth Piano Competition and will not be returned.
- **INCLUDE A COLOR PHOTO:** A school/graduation photo is highly recommended. Photos may also be submitted via email or on disk (JPEG format). Photo submitted must be a minimum wallet size, preferably no larger than 4" x 6" and do not need to be professional. PLEASE NOTE: Photos will not be returned and become property of CYPC.
- **APPLICATION DEADLINE:** Entries must be postmarked on or before **JUNE 1, 2010**.
- **APPLICATION FEE:** Send this completed registration form along with a non-refundable application fee of **\$ 20.00** made payable to: **POLISH FEST, INC.**
- **PLEASE NOTE:** Coolers, beverages and/or food items are strictly prohibited from being brought onto the festival grounds and any such items must be kept in your car. We ask that you kindly abide by this festival regulation.
- **CYPC WINNERS:** Competition winners will also be asked to participate during various performance opportunities throughout the year. Such events may include, but are not limited to the following: (i.e. Encore Performance at the Polish Center of Wisconsin – mid July/August, Polanki College Achievement Awards Program – late April). Please keep in mind that most performance events are typically scheduled for early Sunday afternoons.

Only finalists will be notified via telephone and/or email on or about **JUNE 13, 2010**. Finalists will each receive an information packet containing a confirmation letter with more specific details about the Chopin Youth Piano Competition. This packet will include the following: An itinerary, directions, (2) complimentary admission tickets to Polish Fest and (1) parking pass for a designated parking lot at Polish Fest.

Additional copies of this letter & application form may be freely reproduced for distribution to your students and/or other interested teachers. Application forms can also be downloaded in **PDF format** via the internet or you may request one in writing by sending a **SASE** to the address listed below.

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Musically Yours,

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APPLICATION FORM: (PLEASE PRINT OR TYPE LEGIBLY)

SECTION I:

ATTACH A COLOR PHOTO
ALONG WITH THIS APPLICATION

- A school / graduation photo is highly recommended.
- Digital photos may be used.
- Minimum wallet size, but no larger than 4"x 6".
- Photos do not need to be professionally done!
- Photos of the selected finalists may be used for publicity purposes.
- Photos will not be returned.

When attaching your photo to the application form, please make sure to use a paperclip. Please do not staple, tape or bend your enclosed photo!

NAME: _____ SEX (Check One): Male Female
First Last

PARENT(S): _____
Father's Name Mother's Name

ADDRESS: _____
City State Zip

PHONE: () _____ EMAIL: _____

AGE: _____ BIRTHDATE: ____/____/____ GRADE: _____ SCHOOL: _____

How did you find out about this competition? Internet / Email Music Store Teacher Other _____

[THE FOLLOWING RESPONSES MAY BE USED IN THE FINALIST BIOGRAPHIES. ATTACH A SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY.]

- OTHER INSTRUMENTS & LENGTH OF STUDY: _____
- RECENT AWARDS & HONORS: _____
- OTHER MUSIC ACTIVITIES: _____
- HOBBIES & TALENTS: _____
- Why do you want to enter this piano competition?: _____

SECTION II:

[CATEGORY - SELECT ONE]

- JUNIOR (Ages 14 & Under)
 SENIOR (Ages 15-18)

LENGTH OF STUDY: _____ TEACHER'S NAME: _____

STUDIO ADDRESS: _____
City State Zip

T-SHIRT SIZE (Select One):
 S M L XL 2XL

PHONE: () _____ EMAIL: _____

SECTION III:

[PIECE INFORMATION]

Please do not exceed 10 minutes in performance time.

Ballade Etude Impromptu Mazurka Nocturne Polonaise Prelude Waltz Other _____

KEY: ____ Major ____ minor OPUS: ____ NO: ____ MVT: _____ DURATION: ____ MINUTES ____ SECONDS

The information that I have provided on this form is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge. I understand and agree that Polish Fest, Inc. may use my child's name and/or likeness for publicity and/or promotion of this and other Polish Fest related events, without any compensation.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE: _____ PARENT'S SIGNATURE: _____

DATE SIGNED: ____/____/____ DATE SIGNED: ____/____/____

THIS COMPLETED APPLICATION FORM, A \$20.00 NON-REFUNDABLE APPLICATION FEE, AUDIO TAPE PERFORMANCE AND A COLOR PHOTO MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE CHOPIN YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION AND BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE: **JUNE 1, 2010**. (ALL TAPES & PHOTOS BECOME PROPERTY OF THE CHOPIN YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION AND WILL NOT BE RETURNED.)

PLEASE LABEL AUDITION TAPES CLEARLY
WITH THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

MAKE SURE TO LABEL ENCLOSED PHOTO:

2010 CHOPIN YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION ~ (Junior) or (Senior) DIVISION
APPLICANT'S NAME ~ AGE ~ GRADE IN SCHOOL
ADDRESS ~ PHONE NUMBER
NAME OF PIECE (Opus & Number) ~ DURATION OF PIECE (Minutes & Seconds)

MAKE PAYABLE TO: POLISH FEST, INC.

SEND APPLICATION TO: 2010 CHOPIN YOUTH PIANO COMPETITION
729 W. OKLAHOMA AVENUE - MILWAUKEE, WI 53215-4719