



## Young Musician Competition 2022

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An opportunity to celebrate the best musicians  
across ISA Members' Schools.

Deadline for entries:  
Thursday 9 December 2021

\* Entry for this event requires an online qualification round.

\* Entries must be filmed and submitted via the form on the ISA Website.

\* Final Tuesday 25 January 2022 - Warwick Arts Center

\* Competition open to ISA Members' Schools only.

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## ISA YOUNG MUSICIAN COMPETITION 2022 – RULES AND GUIDELINES

- Eligibility

This competition is open to ISA Members' Schools only. Open to all ages.

Each school may enter three pupils per age group maximum (Junior (KS1/2), Middle (KS3) or Senior (KS4/5))

- Age group categories

- Junior (KS1/2)
- Middle (KS3)
- Senior (KS4/5)

- Online Qualification Round

- The first stage of this competition consists of an online qualification round.
- All entrants must ensure they are available for the final on Tuesday 25 January 2022, for the entire day, (Warwick Arts Centre) if successful.
- Students are invited to record a video and submit it via the online form on the ISA website following the guidelines below. (the video has to be a link, via YouTube or Vimeo for example, ISA won't accept any file to download, no WeTransfer link or links with password required).

- Rules and Guidelines

- This competition does not include vocal entries.
- Pupils can play either from memory or with music.
- Pupils may have a piano to accompany them if needed. (No other accompaniment is allowed)
- No backing tracks allowed.
- The video can last no longer than 3 minutes.
- You may not compose your own piece of music.
- Appropriate copyrights must be obtained for the performance.
- Please note the instrument of choice must be acoustic. Guitarists must play classical guitar.
- Groups cannot enter the competition, single instrument only.

- Judging criteria

The following will be taken into consideration during the judging process:

Pitch  
Time  
Tone  
Shape  
Performance

- **How to enter**

Entries must be submitted via the online form on the ISA website by **Thursday 9 December 2021**, the latest.

Please ensure you are able to make the date of the final before entering as you may be preventing another school from this opportunity. In addition, late cancellations cause considerable inconvenience to the organisers.

An entry received should be regarded as a definite commitment to attend.

### AFTER ENTERING

Once you have entered the competition you will receive a confirmation email with your entry details. After the Christmas break, we will announce who has made it through to the final.

- **The Final**

- We will require the name and a copy of the piece you are performing at least 2 weeks prior to the competition.
- The final will be split into junior, middle and senior categories.
- You do not have to play the same piece as the first round.
- You may not compose your own piece of music.
- The piece of music can last no longer than 5 minutes.
- Appropriate copyrights must be obtained for the performance.
- You must provide your own accompanist if required.
- A piano will be provided for pianists and accompanists.
- Page turners will not be provided.
- Please note the instrument of choice must be acoustic. Guitarists must play classical guitar.
- No backing tracks allowed.
- Dress code: smart or school uniform.
- All performers must attend the entire day, awards will be given at the end of the day. We encourage teachers, family and friends to come along to support the musicians and watch the performances.

*Please note that some events may need to be revised in line with any Government guidance nearer the time. We will of course communicate fully with participating schools if changes need to be made.*

If you have any questions, please contact [isaarts@isaschools.org.uk](mailto:isaarts@isaschools.org.uk)

We look forward to receiving your entries.