

Sunday 7 March 2021

# Sevenoaks

A competition  
open to instrumentalists  
aged 12 – 21 years, min Grade 8

# Young

Competitors to give a 15 minute recital

# Musician

Entry fee £70

# of the Year

Closing date 18 January 2021

Presented by Sevenoaks Three Arts Festival



## Sevenoaks Young Musician of the Year Competition

### Competition date

Sunday 7 March 2021  
Ship Theatre, Walthamstow Hall Senior School,  
Sevenoaks, Kent TN13 3UL

### Judges

Alison Moncrieff-Kelly and Jeremy Carter

### Competition regulations

1. The competition is open to instrumentalists Standard Grade 8 and above, aged between 12 and 21 years on the date of the Competition.
2. Pupils of either of the judges are not eligible to enter this competition.
3. Each competitor is to present a recital of contrasting pieces lasting a minimum of ten minutes but no longer than fifteen minutes.
4. Competitors must provide their own accompanists and a copy of all their recital music for the use of the judges.
5. No changes of programme or to the playing order will be accepted after 21 February.
6. Provided the judges agree that a sufficiently high standard has been reached, in addition to the first prize of £1,000 the winner will be given the opportunity to play a concerto with the Lydian Orchestra during their 2020 season. The judges' decision is final.
7. Entries will be taken on a "first come, first served" basis and will be limited to sixteen competitors.
8. The organisers reserve the right to cancel the competition and will only return entry fees under these circumstances.
9. The organisers endeavour to maintain a safe and secure environment for our competitors, but the responsibility for children aged 16 and under lies with accompanying parents and/or teachers.
10. Child Performance Licensing legislation requires the organisers to register as a "Suitable Body of Persons" under the Children and Young Persons Act and the names of all participating children aged 16 and under are required to be notified to Kent County Council, the licensing body.

### Prizes

Cash prizes of £1,000 (the Sevenoaks Town Council Prize), £500 (the Sevenoaks School Prize) and £200 (the T.A. Craig Violins Prize) and the first prize winner being offered the opportunity to play a concerto with the Lydian Orchestra. In addition the Sevenoaks Music Club will present prizes of £75 each to the second and third prize winners.

### Sevenoaks Young Musician of the Year Competition

As a member of the Sevenoaks Three Arts Festival committee June Clements proposed and inaugurated the competition in 1995. In recognition of her outstanding contribution to the musical education and development of the young people of Sevenoaks, The Sevenoaks District Arts Council will present each year, following the concerto performance, a silver June Clements Memorial Medal to the Young Musician Competition winner.

### The Lydian Orchestra

Founded in 1976 by June Clements, the Lydian Orchestra brings together talented young musicians from the local area. Meeting for a week of intensive rehearsals in the school holidays, Lydian gives three concerts a year - in December, April and July. Tours are arranged every other year and have recently included visits to France (2019/2017), Germany (2015/2013) and Belgium (2011). As well as offering the winner of the Sevenoaks Young Musician of the Year Competition a concerto opportunity with the orchestra, we also have regular solo appearances from our most talented players.

Over the years, many Lydian players and soloists have gone on to professional musical career, including clarinettist Emma Johnson and cellists Alexander Baillie and Steven Isserlis, Alec Frank-Gemmill (horn), Geoffrey Paterson and Nils Schweckendiek (conductors), while more recent soloists include 2014 BBC Young Musician category winners Matilda Lloyd, (brass) and Sophie Westbrook (woodwind and grand finalist). In years when there is no tour we arrange a workshop for aspiring soloists to try out a concerto with the orchestra; some of them have subsequently entered the YMY Competition. Recent YMY winners have given a wide variety of concerto performances with the orchestra, usually at a concert in the Pamoja Hall at Sevenoaks School.

For further information, please visit the website: [www.lydian.org.uk](http://www.lydian.org.uk).

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## Entry Form 2021

PLEASE FILL IN USING CAPITAL LETTERS

Name

Address

Post Code

Contact Telephone No.

Email Address

Date of birth

Instrument

Standard attained by 18 January 2021

- ❖ Details of my recital are shown overleaf and I undertake to send a photograph (pdf format) by email
- ❖ I enclose a cheque for £70, payable to Sevenoaks Three Arts Festival, in respect of my entry fee **and a further cheque for £25** which will be returned to me on the day of the Competition but will be cashed in the event of my non-appearance without prior notification
- ❖ I have read and undertake to abide by the regulations as laid down by the Sevenoaks Three Arts Festival, the organising body

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Detach this entry form and return to: Margaret Holgate, Competition Secretary, 36 Bayham Road, Sevenoaks, Kent TN13 3XE (email [candmholgate@btopenworld.com](mailto:candmholgate@btopenworld.com)) to arrive by 18 January 2021

### Details of Recital Programme

Please show the full name of the piece and the composer, in capital letters, and approximate duration

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Title

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Composer

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Name of accompanist for competition

### Biographical details

On a separate sheet please attach biographical details (approx. 130-140 words) to be used in the competition programme and for introductions on the day, listing place of birth, home town (if different), musical career to date and awards, plus hobbies and other interests. Please also email a recent photograph in pdf format which may be used for publicity purposes.

For further details or extra entry forms, telephone 01732 454448

# Sevenoaks Young Musician of the Year Competition

## 2020 Winners

1st Mykyta Burzanitsa (piano)

2nd Oliver Simpson (cello)

3rd Calvin Leung (piano)

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