

The Marie E. Crump Vocal Arts Competition

The Marie E. Crump Vocal Arts Competition of the Maryland Opera Society is open to all singers, regardless of race, creed or gender, between the ages of 18-35.

- Applications Due - Postmarked on or before Friday, May 21, 2010
- Semi-Final Round - Friday, June 25, 2010
- Final Round - Sunday, June 27, 2010
- Cash Awards
 - 1st Place, \$2000
 - 2nd Place, \$1500
 - 3rd Place, \$1000
 - 2 Incentive Awards, \$500 each

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GOVERNING REGULATIONS

A. ELIGIBILITY

1. The Marie E. Crump Vocal Arts Competition is open to all singers, 18-35 years of age, regardless of race, creed, or gender. Must legally reside in the United States of America.

B. APPLICATION PROCEDURES

ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE POSTMARKED ON OR BEFORE **FRIDAY, MAY 21, 2010**. Mail application to: The Maryland Opera Society, Inc., Marie E. Crump Vocal Arts Competition, Attn: Alethea Anne Burt, 6916 Hanover Pkwy, Suite 101, Greenbelt, MD 20770.

1. Entries must include
 - a. Admission/Audition CD only.
 1. CD content must include two (2) operatic arias of contrasting musical styles and genres which demonstrate the lyrical, stylistic and artistic capabilities of the singer. Piano accompaniment only.
NO ART SONGS. DO NOT RECORD ON USED CD.
 2. List content on CD. Type name and voice classification on separate label and place on inside of CD cover. **Do not type/write name on CD!**
 - b. Completed and Signed Application.
 - c. The Competition Program
 1. Required selection - Five (5) operatic arias of contrasting styles, in at least three languages. One must be in English.
2. Required Documents
 - a. Two typed letters of recommendation.
 - b. Photocopy of your birth certificate or passport.
 - c. One glossy black and white photograph, untinted, 5 x 7 inches.
 - d. A brief biography (100 words or less). Typed only.
 - e. All applicants must show proof of legal residency in the United States of America. (driver's license, birth certificate, or visa)
3. Non-refundable registration fee of Thirty-Five dollars (\$35). Write check or money order payable to The Maryland Opera Society, Inc. DO NOT SEND CASH.
4. The Maryland Opera Society, Inc. will not assume responsibility for applications lost in the mail. Applicants should photocopy and retain copies of all documents and materials submitted.

C. ACCOMPANIMENT

1. Original keys are mandatory.
2. Contestants must provide a copy of the music for the competition accompanist.
3. Repertoire, which requires instruments or electronic media, will not be accepted.

D. THE COMPETITION ACCOMPANIST

1. The Competition Accompanist will be available to each contestant.
2. 10 minutes of practice time with accompanist will be provided to each Semi-finalist and Finalist prior to the competition.

E. Original compositions by contestants will not be accepted.

F. COMPETITION ROUNDS

1. Preliminary Round – the jury will select ten (10) semi-finalists from the audition CD/Tapes for the Semi-Final Round.
2. Notification of selection status to Semi-final Round - on or before June 13, 2009.
3. Semi-final Round – Friday, June 25, 2010. Five finalists will be selected for the Final Round.
4. Final Round - Sunday June 27, 2010. Three finalists will be selected as winners. Two incentive awards will be presented.
5. Competition will be held at the Bowie Center for the Performing Arts, Bowie MD.

G. AWARDS

1. Three finalists will be chosen for cash awards. 1st place, \$2000, 2nd place, \$1500, 3rd place \$1000 and two incentive awards of \$500 each.

H. GENERAL RULES

1. In all matters of the competition management, the decisions of The Maryland Opera Society, Inc. shall be final.
2. The decisions of the jury at every stage of the competition are final and are not subject to question, review, or appeal.

APPLICATION
(Type or Print Legibly)

Name First Middle Last

Address

City State Zip Code

Telephone Fax E-Mail

Voice Classification

Period of Study in this Voice Category

Age Date of Birth SS#

Name of present vocal teacher For how long?

Address of Teacher

City State Zip Code

Telephone

The Maryland Opera Society, Inc., has my permission to tape or videotape the Concert or any of the Competition's related programs for possible use in a later radio, television broadcast. I waive all rights to compensation.

The Maryland Opera Society, Inc., has my permission to publicize or advertise my award, following my achievements, in journals, newspapers, or through news releases. The Maryland Opera Society, Inc., has permission to use my photograph in any such release.

Any federal, state, local and/or foreign income taxes, which may be due on account of the prize, shall be the sole responsibility of the recipient and be paid by the recipient of the award.

I have read and understand the accompanying material, which describes the competition and the rules of the competition. I affirm that all information and permissions contained herein, along with required enclosures, are true and correct.

Applicant's Signature Date

Mail to: Alethea Anne Burt, Coordinator
The Marie E. Crump Vocal Arts Competition
6916 Hanover Pkwy, Suite 101
Greenbelt, Maryland, 20770

THE COMPETITION PROGRAM

(Type Only)

Composer

Name of Aria

Name of Opera

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