



The Steinway Society of Riverside County

2020 Awards Festival

Xavier College Preparatory High School
34200 Cook St., Palm Desert, CA, 92211

The Steinway Society of Riverside County Awards Festival takes place this year on March 8 and March 15 at Xavier College Preparatory High School in Palm Desert. Its purpose is to award talented young pianists and give them an opportunity to perform and work with master teachers.

Format of the Festival

Participants will play in a master class for each of two teachers and in a recital. Award winners will be selected on the basis of their performance in all three venues. Students' teachers are strongly encouraged to attend.

Eligibility

Applicants must be residents of Riverside or San Bernardino County or be studying with a teacher who is a resident of these counties. The teacher must be a Steinway Society member! The student must have studied with the current teacher for six months prior to the festival.

Festival participants will be divided into Junior and Senior Levels.

Junior Level - through grade 8 (level 5 literature and above).

Senior Level - grades 9 - 12

Awards

Five awards of \$500.00 will be given at both Junior and Senior Levels.

Repertoire

Students will perform three pieces of contrasting style.

NEW REPERTOIRE REQUIREMENTS! Participants must choose one Baroque piece OR one Classical. Schubert may count as Classical. The other two selections must represent different periods.

Repertoire time limits are as follows:

1st selection - master class - 10 min. max.

2nd selection - master class - 10 min. max.

3rd selection - recital - not longer than 12 minutes please. If you select a piece much longer than that, you will be asked to cut it!

Students will choose their recital piece. All works must be memorized. Movements from larger works are acceptable.

Application

There is an application / membership fee of \$40.00. This is in addition to the required teacher membership. Applications must be postmarked no later than Feb. 7, 2020.

Application package must include:

1. Application form
2. Check in the amount of \$40.00
3. Biography

Please send complete application package to:

Steinway Society of Riverside County
c/o James McCormick
2980 N. Starr Rd.
Palm Springs, CA 92262

Festival Dates

Junior Level - March 8, 2020 - Xavier Prep

Senior Level - March 15, 2020 - Xavier Prep

Our guest master teachers this year are Antoinette Perry and Nelms McKelvain for the Junior Level and Catherine Kautsky and Anthony Padilla for the Senior.

Winners Concert - May 13, 2020 - Rancho Mirage Library

We look forward to your participation in our 16th annual Awards Festival!

Any questions, please call Jim McCormick at 760-285-6611