

International Piano Competition FAUSTO ZADRA

EDITION 2025 – Competition Rules.

APPLICATION DEADLINE 31th AUGUST 2025

Art. 1

The competition will be held in presence from 12th to 14th September 2025 in the “Sala degli Specchi” at the Hotel Abano Ritz placed in Via Montirone 19, Abano Terme (PD), Veneto, Italy and is open to pianists of any nationality who have **not** turned 37 years old at the date of 12th September 2025 (Up to 36 years old). It will be mandatory to perform by memory during the competition.

Art. 2

Competitors will perform two subsequential rounds. It will be not allowed to repeat any work previously played. The performances are open to the audience.

Art. 3

The order of performance for the preliminary round will be established by the Artistic Director and it will be communicate to all contestants by email after the application deadline (31th August 2025). Studio rooms for practicing will be available for all participants as well as it will be possible to test the piano in the Competition Hall. A detailed scheduling piano practicing will be fixed by the Music School Office.

Art. 4

Jury members cannot have students between the candidates if they had a teaching relationship in the last two years before the competition. At the beginning of the competition every jury member will have to declare his/her position related to participants. **The Jury's decision is final.**

Art. 5

The awards ceremony will take place during the final concert on Saturday 14th in the evening.

Art. 6

With the application to the candidates tacitly accept all rules contained in the competition notice. The Italian version of this competition notice will be deemed official in case of any dispute. Application fee is one-time payment and it includes the participation in the competition. Registration fee will be refunded just in case the competition will be not held due to the decision of the Artistic Director **or** for urgently health reasons (related to pandemics or any other major forces issues). **For no other reasons the registration fee will be refunded.**

Art. 7

PROGRAM

PRELIMINARY ROUND

A free program no longer than 15 minutes.

FINAL ROUND (max 8th candidates)

A free program no longer than 25/30 minutes. No one work previously played on the preliminary round will have to be repeated in this round. The Artistic Director can stop the performances in case of exceeding the time limit.

AWARDS

1st Prize: Scholarship € 2000

2nd Prize: Scholarship of € 1000

3rd Prize: Scholarship of € 500

Under no circumstances will ex-aequo prizes awarded and no one prize “not assigned” will be shared.

Art. 8

APPLICATION

Application deadline 31th August 2025

Application fee: € 90

To apply to Fausto Zadra Int. Piano Master Competition you need to fill in the application form available for the download on the official website and:

- Copy of a valid document (passport or identity card)
- A photo portrait for the competition graphics
- Receipt of the payment with bank transfer
- Privacy statement paper with signature (download it on the following link:)

All documents must to be sent to: zadrapianocompetition@gmail.com

TERMS OF PAYMENTS.

Payment must be made by bank transfer. Any expenses or bank commissions required for sending the payment will be completely borne by the competitor.

IBAN: **IT59S0306909606100000067311**

Some international banks could ask also the BIC/SWIFT code:

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Art. 9

Final concert with audience and audience award.

The winning candidates of the first three prizes will perform in the award concert in which they will perform pieces from the repertoire already presented during the competition and decided in agreement with the Jury. Attendance at the prize-giving concert is essential under penalty of losing the prize.

Art. 10

This cultural event is not comparable to the sweepstakes, as intended by D.P.R.430/2001, art.6 com.1. Therefore, the Resolution n.8/1251 of the 28th October 1976 decides that the prizes will not be income taxed at the source. However, we specify that the final prizes will be added to your personal income and the winners will have to pay own compulsory contributions based on the tax rules of the candidate's country.

Art. 11

In order to participate to the competition it's necessary to fill in the privacy consent form that you will find in the Application Page. You can read the "Privacy Disclaimer" here below:

[Download our Privacy Disclaimer in English](#)

Art. 12

For any dispute the Italian rule will be effective.

For any legal matter the Padua's Court (Italy) will be competent.