



THE Vth INTERNATIONAL “EDELWEISS” COMPETITION 2023 **ONLINE**

GENERAL RULES OF COMPETITION

THE CONTEST IS ORGANIZED BY:

- International Culture Union “Edelweiß” (Austria, Vienna)
- Kaunas 1st Music School (LT) / Headmaster Mindaugas Labanauskas
- Artistic Director – Rasa Derbutiene, Kaunas 1st Music School
- Kaunas Region Piano Teachers' Association / Chairwoman Violeta Jucevičiene
- Artistic Expert – Samir Mirzayev, Antalya State Conservatory / Akdeniz University
- Technical manager – ICU “Edelweiß” founder Harald Schratte

PARTNERS OF THE CONTEST:

- The Lithuanian Community in Austria (LCA)
- Varėna J. Čiurlionytė Art School

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION "EDELWEISS 2023" **ONLINE**:

- ONLINE competition "Edelweiss 2023" will be held on **December 15-17**.
- The general rules of the competition ONLINE are the same as those of the Vth international competition "Edelweiss 2023"! The amount of the participant fee varies (see below). The fee is transferred only through *online banking*.

COMPETITION PROCEDURE:

- The Contest will be held as one round.
- Application must be sent until **December 1, 2023**
- The results will be published in 2023 December 17 on the website:
<https://www.ikedelweiss.at/actual-information-online-2023/>
- All performances will be visible on the PADLET website:
<https://padlet.com/konkursasedelweiss/j2bstewu9q66com5>

PARTICIPANTS:

- The Contest is open for young pianists of all nationalities who were born after **17. December 2000** and who play piano solo;
- in ensemble (duets, trios, quartets);
- Instrumental ensembles containing piano (up to 4 members).

CATEGORIES OF PARTICIPANTS:

- All contestants will compete in two main categories:
 A, B, C categories – students from music and art schools.
 A+, B+, C+ categories – students from specialized music schools, conservatories, technical institutes, Academies of Music.
 A, B and C competitors can compete in A+, B+, C+ categories.

A CATEGORY (PIANO SOLO)

Category	Age of participant	Duration	Registration fee
A1, A1+	Up to 8 year	Up to 5 min	20 €
A2, A2+	9-10	Up to 7 min	20 €
A3, A3+	11-12	Up to 9 min	20 €
A4, A4+	13-14	Up to 11 min	25 €
A5, A5+	15-16	Up to 12 min	25 €
A6	17-23	Up to 15 min	25 €

B CATEGORY - PIANO ENSEMBLE (duets, trios, quartets)

Category	Year of Birth	Duration	Registration fee
B1, B1+	Average age of participants - up to 10 years.	Up to 5 min	20 €
B2, B2+	Average age of participants - up to 12 years.	Up to 7 min	20 €
B3, B3+	Average age of participants - up to 15 years.	Up to 10 min	25 €
B4	Average age of participants - up to 18 years.	Up to 12 min	25 €
B5	Average age of participants - up to 23 years.	Up to 15 min	25 €

C CATEGORY - INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE
(duets, trios, quartets, CONTAINING piano)

Category	Year of Birth	Duration	Registration fee
C1, C1+	Average age of participants - up to 10 years	Up to 5 min	20 €
C2, C2+	Average age of participants - up to 12 years	Up to 7 min	20 €
C3, C3+	Average age of participants - up to 15 years	Up to 10 min	25 €
C4	Average age of participants - up to 18 years	Up to 12 min	25 €
C5	Average age of participants - up to 23 years.	Up to 15 min	25 €

REPERTOIRE:

- (A, A+) Two works, one of which is a classic or baroque piece, the second is a freely chosen romantic or contemporary piece, preferably by a Lithuanian composer.
- (B,B+,C,C+) Two works in different musical styles and moods, preferably at least one piece from the Baroque or Classical era or Lithuanian composer work.
- Some Pieces of Lithuanian Authors You can find in the website:
<https://www.ikedelweiss.at/lithuanian-authors/>
- Soloists perform works by heart;
- Repeats are optional;
- Phonograms are prohibited;
- Teachers cannot take part in ensembles.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE:

- **Please fill out the application on the website:**
- <https://www.ikedelweiss.at/registration-online-2023/>
- Contestants' applications and program changes are accepted till **1. December 2023**
- The program changes during the Contest are prohibited;
- Along with the application, please upload/send a copy of the document confirming the payment of the entrance fee.
- Information: tel. +43 6507020023, E-Mail: konkursas.edelweiss@gmail.com

SUBMISSION OF THE VIDEO:

- The participant places a video recording on the *Youtube* account of his own or on the account of educational institution where the contestant is studying;
- the link is uploaded when filling out the online application
<https://www.ikedelweiss.at/registration-online-2023/>

RECORDING TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS:

- Video settings should be 16: 9 (camer in horizontal poztion);
- Concert clothes are required;
- It is advisable to perform on an acoustic instrument;
- It is desirable that the entire artist is visible in the video.

THE FEE must be send till 1. December 2023 TO:

INTERNATIONALE KULTUR UNION (IKU) „EDELWEIß“

IBAN: AT722011184455964300

BIC: GIBAATWWXXX

In payment purpose it is necessary to specify the family name and name of participant, category.

COMPETITION JURY

- The performances of competitors are judged by an International Jury, appointed by the organizer;
- The names of the Jury members will be announced prior to the beginning of the Contest;
- The Jury decisions are irrevocable and definite.

AWARDS

- The awards will be established for the best performances of the works of Lithuanian composers;
- The best performers of the competition will be awarded diplomas of Grand Prix, I, II, III (they will be on the competition website in electronic form);
- All teachers will receive certificates.

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