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Rovere d'Oro Association

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*XXXV International Competition of Instrumental  
Execution*

*"Young Talents"  
and  
"Rovere d'Oro 2024" Prize*

16<sup>nd</sup> – 21<sup>th</sup> July 2024  
Città di San Bartolomeo al Mare  
Imperia - Italy

## RULES "GENERAL SECTION"

**Art. 1** - The competition is open to young musicians of every nationality and training background.

**Art. 2** - All applications must be received **no later than 24<sup>th</sup> June 2024**. The application submitted through the form on our website:

<https://www.roveredoro.org/en/rovere-doro-application/>

Competitors should send:

1. a copy of the identity card or the passport;
2. 1 signed **list of the pieces** (one list for each round for candidates to the "Rovere d'Oro" Prize) indicating on it:
  - a. composer's name, date of birth and death;
  - b. date of the composition and title;
  - c. opus number;
  - d. publisher;
  - e. duration;
3. **NB - Please do not send the score with the application form; you have to give it to the jury only at the moment of the audition;**
4. payment receipt of the non-refundable subscription fee (for the amounts shown in art. 17 e 21), that can be paid by:
  - bank transfer: IBAN IT75X0538749060000047247587 - code BIC: BPMOIT22XXX – BPER Banca San Bartolomeo al Mare, reason for payment: "Concorso Giovani Talenti - Name and surname, section and category" or "Concorso Rovere d'Oro - Name and surname, category".
5. **Please remember to sign the application form's part concerning the "Protection of Personal Data"** in accordance with the Italian Law no. 101/2018 implementing Regulation UE no. 2016/679.

The unquestionable opinion of the Artistic Direction will permit or not to accept application forms received after the deadline.

Incomplete application forms or those not including the required documents will not be accepted.

**Art. 3** - The timetable of the auditions will be published on the website [www.roveredoro.org](http://www.roveredoro.org) and sent by e-mail to all competitors after the deadline for applying.

Competitors may play the piano and the harp provided by the Association for rehearsals according to the timetable established by the Direction.

**Please note the following:**

- a) **Soloists must provide their own accompanist.** The accompanist is not subject to any age restriction and cannot receive any certificate.
- b) The Organization can suggest, on request, names and contacts of accompanists. Competitors have to contact the accompanists by their own and send him/her the scores far in advance; the accompanist is free to decide whether accept or decline the task and to set out his/her fee.
- c) The organisation is not involved in any commercial agreement between the musician and the accompanying pianist.

**Art. 4** - The Organization takes no responsibility for damage of any kind to persons or things during the competition.

**Art. 5** - Rovere d'Oro Association assures that all the personal data provided by competitors for applying will be kept by the Association and used only to send information about the Association and that, pursuant the art. 7 of the above-mentioned law, the holder has the right either to know, update, delete and adjust his/her data or oppose to their use.

**Art. 6** - Members of the Jury are esteemed musicians. A delegate from the Performing Arts Department - Ministero dei Beni e Attività Culturali - Presidenza del Consiglio dei Ministri may be present at the auditions.

**Art. 7** - People who have ties of kinship and affinity with one of the competitors cannot be part of the Jury. Music teachers who have currently, or who have had in the two years preceding the beginning of the competition, a private teaching relationship with any of the competitors cannot be part of the Jury.

Members of the Jury who have currently, or who have had in the two years preceding the beginning of the competition, a public teaching relationship with any of the competitors must abstain from discussing their performance and from giving a mark to these competitors. This abstention must be explicitly mentioned in the audition report.

During the first meeting, each member of the Jury issues a statement about his/her personal position related to the competitors in relation to the above.

**Art. 8** - At the beginning of the Competition, the letter all the auditions will start from will be drawn. The draw will be public and will happen in the presence of the Chairperson of the "Rovere d'Oro" Association, or of her delegate, and of the Artistic Director. The draw's report will be immediately posted up, available to all the candidates.

**Art. 9** - All candidates must register in the Secretary's Office with a valid identity card or document before the auditions. At the beginning of each audition the candidates will be ask to show the Jury their document together with two copies of the score of the piece(s) to be executed.

For the whole period of their participation in the Competition, candidates must be available at any time (communicating a telephone number and a temporary address to the Secretary's Office when they register).

Executions could be registered for the exclusive use of the Jury.

No remuneration is due to those eventually registered during the audition and the evening concerts for the use of the registrations by radio or television.

**Art. 10** - The Jury retains the right to shorten the duration of the execution for an entire category. The Artistic Director may be present during the audition, but without the voting right.

**Art. 11** - Any decision by the Jury is final and not open to appeal. Final marks are expressed in hundredths. The average mark will be calculated without taking into account the extreme marks, which, if given by more than one member of the Jury, will be subtracted only once.

**Art. 12** - "Rovere d'Oro" Association Chairperson and the Artistic Director of the competition are competent to decide on what is not included in these Rules. They are also entrusted with every problem of interpretation of them.

**Art. 13** - Any adjustment to these rules and/or to the dates of the competition will be communicated through the [www.roveredoro.org](http://www.roveredoro.org) website. This communication will be considered official communication to the competitors.

**Art. 14** - Subscription to the Competition implies the unconditional acceptance of these Rules and the right for the Organizational and the Artistic Direction to modify these Rules. For any possible controversy, the Court of Law of Imperia will be competent.

# ROVERE D'ORO PRIZE 2024

*Three auditions - One single age group*

**Audition period: 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>th</sup> of July.**

**Art. 15** - Candidates must be born from 1<sup>st</sup> January 1989 onwards. Who has already won the "Rovere d'Oro" Prize over the course of the previous editions cannot participate again.

**Art. 16** - Competitors will be scheduled into the following categories:

**CAT. A:** Piano (soloists)

**CAT. B:** Guitar (soloists)

**CAT. C:** Strings instruments (soloists)

**CAT. D:** Wind instruments (soloists)

**CAT. E:** Harps (soloists)

**CAT. F:** Accordion (soloists)

**Art. 17** - Subscription fee is € 110,00 for soloists; it includes the Membership Fee (€10,00) by which competitors become supporting members of the Association for a year.

**Art. 18** - The competition is organized in three auditions:

**19<sup>th</sup> July 2024: preliminary stage of each category (15 minutes);** all the candidates of every category perform a program of their choice, including at least a piece of the XVIII or XIX century.

Admission to the semi-final audition is determined by the approval of the majority of the Jury members.

Musicians who are not admitted to the semi-final audition will receive a participation diploma.

**20<sup>th</sup> July 2024: semi-final stage of each category (20 minutes);** all the candidates of every category perform a program of their choice, different from the preliminary stage one, including at least a piece of the XX or XXI century.

Marks are expressed in hundredths, eliminating the highest and the lowest marks, which, if awarded by several members of the Jury, will be deducted once.

The musician with the highest mark of each category, provided that it is at least 95/100, receives the 1<sup>st</sup> Prize of the category and is admitted to the final stage "Rovere d'Oro" (if 2 or more musicians of the same category exceptionally receive the 1<sup>st</sup> prize with the same mark and unanimous decision of the Jury, they will be admitted to the final stage "Rovere d'Oro").

After that, the 2<sup>nd</sup>, the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> prizes will be awarded according to decreasing marks.

The other musicians will receive a Semi-finalist's diploma.

For each category, the winner of the 1st prize will have access to the Final Round "Rovere d'Oro". If, exceptionally, 2 or more candidates from the same category obtain the 1st prize with the same score and unanimous judgement of the Commission, all of them will be able to enter the Final Round "Rovere d'Oro"

**21<sup>th</sup> July 2024: final stage "Rovere d'Oro"** during the concert that will take place at 21:15, on the parvis of N.S. della Rovere Sanctuary in San Bartolomeo al Mare; the candidates perform a 15 min. program of their choice. It is possible to perform a piece from the previous stages.

Final results are determined on the average of the marks of the Jury expressed in hundredths, eliminating the highest and the lowest marks, which, if awarded by several members of the Jury, will be deducted once.

Second prizes winners may perform in the evening concert, at the Artistic Director's discretion, but will not compete for the Rovere d'Oro Prize.

**Art. 19 - Prizes:**

**1<sup>st</sup> Prize Rovere d'Oro** – Fellowship of €5000, one international concert (appearance fee included in the bursary) during the concert season in Malaga (Spain); Rovere d'Oro prize, category winner and absolute first prize winner diploma; a contract to record an album for the EMA Vinci label in 2024, including accommodation and recording room rental (worth €2,500).

**2<sup>nd</sup> Prize Absolute** – Fellowship of €2500, Concert in Italy (appearance fee included in the bursary), silver medal, category winner and absolute second prize winner diploma.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Prize Absolute** – Fellowship of €1000, Concert in Italy (appearance fee included in the bursary), silver medal, category winner and absolute third prize winner diploma.

**4<sup>th</sup> Prize Absolute** - Fellowship of €500, Concert in the next Rovere d'Oro edition, silver medal, category winner and absolute fourth prize winner diploma.

**From 5<sup>th</sup> Prize Absolute** - Silver medal, category winner and diploma.

The amounts are after tax.

All the other musicians receive their diplomas during the winners' announcement at the end of the preliminary and semi-final audition.

No remuneration is due to those who take part in the evening concerts.

In the case of filming for televised broadcasts or recording even of only a part of the Competition, candidates may not demand or request payment from the Organization.

Prize concerts are offered by Italian and International Associations.

Any further prizes not specified in this announcement are to be considered special mentions assigned at the discretion of the jury. Their amount and characteristics will be announced on the official website of the Competition and by e-mail by the application deadline.

# YOUNG TALENTS COMPETITION 2024

*One single audition - 6 age groups*

**Art. 20** - Competitors are organized into the following categories:

**Cat. A: Piano** (auditions on 16<sup>th</sup> 2024)

**Cat. B: Guitar & Harp** (auditions on 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024)

**Cat. C: String instruments** (auditions on 17<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024)

**Cat. D: Wind instruments** (auditions on 18<sup>th</sup> 2024)

**Cat. E: Ensembles** (auditions on 21<sup>th</sup> July 2024, in the morning)

Competitors may enroll in both Rovere d'Oro and Young Talents competitions.

The official timetable of the auditions will be published on the Competition website after the deadline for applying.

**Art. 21** - Competition consists, for all Sections, in a single audition within the duration limits below, according to the following age groups:

Group	Date of birth	Subscription Fee	Programme	Duration
1	1/1/2016 - 31/12/2018	Euro 45,00	1 or more pieces	Max 5'
2	1/1/2013 - 31/12/2015	Euro 50,00	1 or more pieces	Max 10'
3	1/1/2010 - 31/12/2012	Euro 55,00	1 or more pieces	Max 15'
4	1/1/2007 - 31/12/2009	Euro 60,00	1 or more pieces	Max 20'
5	1/1/2003 - 31/12/2006	Euro 65,00	1 or more pieces	Max 25'
6	1/1/1998 - 31/12/2002	Euro 70,00	1 or more pieces	Max 30'

The competitors in category E are divided into 2 age groups:

**Group 1:** the average age of the members is between 15 and 21 years old, the rehearsal has a maximum duration of 20' minutes and the entry fee is €55 per member of the instrumental ensemble.

**Group 2:** the average age of the components is between 22 and 30 years, the rehearsal has a maximum duration of 30' minutes and the registration fee is 65 € for each component of the ensemble

The amount includes the membership fee as a Supporting Member, for the duration of one year, amounting to €10.00.

As for instrumental ensembles: the average age of their members must not exceed 30 years;

- a) the maximum subscription fee for non-soloist can be up to € 400,00;
- b) Subscription fee for each member of an ensemble corresponds to the subscription fee of the age group of the average age of the ensemble's members.

Candidates can enroll in a superior age group than the one they should enroll according to

their age or change their application to a superior age group (communicating the choice in writing to the Secretary's office, before the deadline for applying) **which assumes that they have to pay the subscription fee of the chosen age group.**

Candidates whose mark in the 2023 "Young Talents" competition was 98/100 points or above are exempted from the subscription fee on presentation of the photocopy of the 2022 diploma.

The competition consists in a single audition with a program of candidate's choice.

Auditions can exceed the durations mentioned in Art.21, only in case of a single and unitary piece, at the discretion of the Artistic Director and of the Jury.

**Art. 22** - Final results, determined by the votes of the Jury, are expressed in hundredths and determine the following prizes for each category and age group, also ex aequo:

**Absolute First Prize** (for each Category and Band. Points 95 to 100) - Prize for the best placed of the First Prizes (by unanimous vote of the judging committee) for each Category and age group:

SOLOISTS	ENSAMBLES
<b>Age group I</b> Overall first prize: 100€	<b>Age Group I</b> Overall first prize: 500 €
<b>Age group II</b> Overall first prize: 100€	<b>Age Group II</b> Overall first prize: 700 €
<b>Age group III</b> Overall first prize: 100€	
<b>Age group IV</b> Overall first prize: 150€	
<b>Age group V</b> Overall first prize: 200€	
<b>Age group VI</b> Overall first prize: 300€	

In case of ex aequo, the winner will be chosen at the sole discretion of the committee.

Competitors who score between 95 and 100 points will be awarded the medal and diploma with classification and score.

**2nd Prize** (marks from 90 to 94) – Medal, diploma with qualification and marks attained.

**3rd Prize** (marks from 85 to 89) – Medal, diploma with qualification and marks attained.

**4th Prize** (marks from 80 to 84) – Medal, diploma with qualification and marks attained.

To all the other competitors: diploma of participation.

The amounts are after tax.

The absolute first prize winners are bound to take part in the prize-giving evening Concert of their section, playing a piece chosen by the Jury, on pain of loss of the Prize. The price-giving evening concerts take place on 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> of July on the parvis of Nostra Signora della Rovere Sanctuary, in San Bartolomeo al Mare, at 21:15. To the discretion of the Artistic



Director other first prize winners may take part in the prize-giving evening Concert and there receive their diploma. The jury will define the program of the concert by choosing among the pieces performed during the competition. Young musicians who perform during the evening concert receive their diplomas and medals in that occasion.

The other competitors receive their diplomas during the winners announcement at the end of the audition or, if it is not possible for justified reasons, later during the competition in the Secretary Office.

**Art. 23** - No remuneration is due to those who take part in the evening concerts.

In the case of filming for televised broadcasts or recording even of only a part of the Competition, candidates may not demand or request payment from the Organization.

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