

COMPETITION RULES AND NOTES FOR GUIDANCE 2024

- 1 The Judges' decision is final.
- 2 All competitors must bring with them 2 extra copies of the music that will be performing for use by the Judges.
- 3 In the Heats, competitors may perform one or two pieces which in total should not exceed the time limit, but only one piece in the Finals.
- 4 Time limits as given in the table below are the maximum time allowed and if any competitor goes beyond the time limit prescribed for their class then penalty marks may be deducted.
- 5 All competitors will receive a written report from the organisers after the heats.
- 6 The judges will normally select 2 people from each class to take part in the Finals.
- 7 At the Finals all competitors must be present at the venue 10 minutes before their class is due to start.
- 8 Finalists will perform the same piece as at the Heats at the Finals.
- 9 Recorded backing tracks may be used at the heats and for the finals.
- 10 Trophies and prize money to be awarded are as follows:
 - The Alcan Trophy plus £100 prize money - for the Young Musician of the Year 2024
 - The Humphries Family Trophy - for the Junior Musician of the Year 2024
 - The Ensemble Trophies - for the winning ensemble in Junior and Intermediate/Seniors.
 - The One Man Band Trophy - for the most improved student taking part during the last three years
 - The Tudor Hall Trophy - for the most improved Junior Competitor taking part since the previous year
 - The Bluecoat Trophy - for the highest placed student from the Old Borough of Banbury
- 11 If a competitor has any connection with an adjudicator this must be made known to the Competition Organiser before they begin performing.
- 12 This Competition is a public event at which photographs may be taken for media purposes.

PRELIMINARY ROUNDS ON FRIDAY 20th & SATURDAY 21st JANUARY 2023 At Tudor Hall School, Banbury

	AGE	TIME LIMIT* (maximum)	ENTRY FEE per entry		
			SOLO	DUET***	ENSEMBLE
JUNIOR	8 - 11	4 minutes			
INTERMEDIATE	12 - 15	4 minutes	£ 5.00	£8.00	£10.00
SENIOR	16 - 19	6 minutes			
ENSEMBLE	8 - 19	8 minutes			

* All performances must be within the time limit, otherwise a penalty may be imposed in the judging process.

More than one piece may be played in the Preliminary Rounds as long as the time limit is not exceeded.

*** Duet competitors may be from different age groups, but the entry must be made at the level of the **older player**

CLASSES FOR THE YOUNG MUSICIAN TROPHY

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| 1 PIANO | 2 STRINGS | 3 WOODWIND | 4 BRASS |
| 5 GUITARS | 6 SINGING | 7 PIANO FOR BEGINNERS | For Juniors who have been learning the piano for up to 18 months. |
- 8 **DUETS** In each age range, with any combination of instruments, including orchestral, voice, percussion, guitar, piano, jazz... The older player defines the age range entered.

CLASSES FOR ENSEMBLE TROPHIES

Instrumental or Mixed Ensembles of 3-9 players.

One Junior Ensemble Class and one Intermediate/Senior Class for Mixed Ensembles. All performers in the Junior Class must be aged 8-11. Adjudication will focus primarily on musicianship (sense of style, interpretation, communication with the audience) and the quality of the ensemble. After their performance each ensemble will receive a few minutes coaching from the adjudicators. Time limit 8 minutes.

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THE FINALS ON 10th FEBRUARY 2024 AT WARRINER SCHOOL, Bloxham

ALL COMPETITORS: One free choice piece to be played.

TIME LIMITS for the Finals are:

4 minutes for Junior and Intermediate, 6 minutes for Senior, 8 minutes for Ensemble Class

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES:

16th NOVEMBER 2022

ENTRY FORMS FROM:

<https://banburyrotaryclub.org.uk>

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