

HMTA PIANO CONTEST

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Dates: Preliminaries: Saturday, February 18, 2011 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
Final Round: Sunday, February 19, 2011 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Location: Preliminary and Final Rounds: HCC Town&Country

Eligibility: Piano students age 6-18
(Age determined as of 11:59 p.m. on December 31, 2010)

Repertoire requirement: See Contest Repertoire List

Technique requirement: See Contest Warm-up requirements

- Event rules:**
1. Entry levels: It is recommended that competitor enters the contest at his/her age level. A competitor may enter a higher age category provided he/she has not previously received a Division I rating at that level. No competitor may enter a lower age category.
 2. The competitor must bring to the registration desk on the day of the contest his/her original music book or sheet music with his/her name (or that of a sibling's) printed in indelible ink on the cover. If he/she fails to do so, a \$50 fine will be assessed to the teacher. If the student has forgotten the music but brings an original score before the contest ends, the fine will be exempted.
 3. Each competitor shall perform from memory the technical requirement and the 2 selections chosen for the age category entered. There is no technical requirement for High School Division.
 4. Prompt arrival is mandatory. Any contestant who misses his/her assigned audition time will be disqualified.
 5. Two judges will listen to each competitor in a private audition (Preliminary Round). No one other than these three will be allowed in the room at the time of the performance. A panel of three judges will be present at the Final Round which is open to the public. The judges' decisions are final!
 6. No photos, videos or sound recording will be allowed in the private audition room.

Setting: Preliminary Round: Classroom – Closed auditions
Final Round: Recital Hall – Open to the public

Dress code: Formal Attire

Awards: *Preliminary Round:*

1. Contestants will be ranked in Divisions 1, 2, 3 or 4, and all will receive a Certificate of Participation.
2. Those who place in Division 3 will receive a Bronze Medal
3. Those who place in Division 2 will receive a Silver Medal
4. Those who place in Division 1 will:
 1. Receive a Gold Medal
 2. Be called back to compete in Final Round (Trophies)
 3. Be invited to the Sherman Clay Junior Piano Festival (Cash Prizes)

Final Round:

1. There will be one 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winner from each age category, each receiving a trophy.
2. Special Awards and Cash prizes will be given to the winners of High School Division:
\$150 (1st place), \$100 (2nd place), \$50 (3 place)

Registration: Form(s) and fee due at the HMTA January meeting.

Fee: \$20 per student (studying with an HMTA member)

Teacher Responsibility: See standing Rules #1 and #6