

## **Queensland Piano Competition 2018**

### **Terms and Conditions**

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Registration closing Date is midnight on Sunday 19/08/18. Registrations are online, print entries will only be accepted in special circumstances. No late entries will be accepted after the official closing date.
- Age limit requirements are as at 21/09/18.
- Section winners may be required to provide birth certificates.

#### **GUIDELINES**

##### **1. General**

- A section may be scheduled on either day. After registrations close entrants will receive an email detailing day and order of sections.
- Programs are produced in digital format and will be emailed, detailing final times, to each entrant after repertoire forms have been received.
- Entrants are required to submit a Repertoire Form/Copyright Form detailing pieces, composers and duration of pieces, three weeks prior to the competition. This ensures accurate scheduling of the competition.
- If number of entries is high, in the interest of room capacity, the committee may split age groups.
- Advance notification must be given if unable to perform on the day (no money will be refunded, unless a medical certificate is produced).
- For sections with fewer than 6 entries, 1st prize only will be awarded.
- For sections with ten or more entries, 3<sup>rd</sup> place will be awarded.
- Sections with 4 or fewer competitors may be cancelled.
- As part of your entry, you agree that the entrant's name may be included in MTAQ publications and on the MTAQ website.
- Use of image/s - by agreeing to the Terms and Conditions you are permitting the use of your image/s or that of your child for use in MTAQ Publications and social media. If you have an objection to this condition please express this to the MTAQ office (e-mail: [mtaq@mtaq.org.au](mailto:mtaq@mtaq.org.au)).
- Duet sections may be combined at the discretion of the committee.
- A performance refund of \$20 is applicable for sections 18 years and under, Diploma and Concerto. The refund will be given only to those entrants who have performed at the competition in their relevant section/s.

##### **2. All Sections**

- Competitors are permitted to play in ONE solo section (Sections 4 to 9), ONE duet section (Sect. 15, 16 and 17). Entrants are also permitted to play in the Australian Composer, Concerto and Diploma Section along with their solo and duets section. Also see 'Duets' point a).
- All Sections will be judged by one (1) adjudicator, except for Section 8 (15 years and under), Section 9 (18 years and under), Section 13 (Concerto) and Section 14 (Diploma) which will be judged by two adjudicators. They will decide 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> (if applicable) prize winners and highly commended. A winner and place getters will be chosen from each section.
- Music pieces being performed are not to be repeated in more than one section.

### 3. Solo Sections

- a) Section 1 (Novice) is open to entrants of any age; studying up to but no higher than grade 1; have received tuition for a maximum of three years. Novice entrants cannot compete in this section more than twice. Novice entrants are not permitted to enter any other solo section. Students who place in this section will be ineligible to enter it again in subsequent years.
- b) Section 2 (Intermediate) is open to entrants of 10 years and under; studying up to but no higher than grade 3; Intermediate entrants are not permitted to enter or compete in any other solo section.
- c) Section 3 (Intermediate) is open to entrants of age 14 years and under; studying no higher than grade 5; Intermediate entrants are not permitted to enter or compete in any other solo section.
- d) Section 13: Concerto – Age is open, performance piece must be an original (no arrangements permitted to be performed); must supply own accompanist, who may be the teacher. The winner will be required to perform at a 2019 concert held by the Brisbane Symphony Orchestra; practice, date and time will be advised after the competition.

### 4. Duet Sections

- a) If duet performers fall into both age limits – 9 years & under, 14 & under and 18 years & under - e.g. if one pianist is 9 years old and the partner is 13 years, the older age category, i.e., 14 years & under is the section to enter. A duet entrant may not enter in one section more than once but may enter with a different partner in a different age group.

### 5. Music

- a) Time limits will be strictly adhered to. **Any performer exceeding a time limit will be adjudicated but not eligible for a place or prize.**
- b) Competitors are permitted to play from original and some photocopies of music (in the instance of difficult page turning - please see the bottom of Repertoire/Copyright Form for further information). However, competitors are **not permitted to play from photocopied** music only; the later will automatically disqualify a competitor.
- c) Each competitor must submit a Repertoire/Copyright Form with pieces being performed for all sections entered, to the MTAQ, three weeks prior to competition day. Failure to do so may result in an entry be nullified.
- d) Each competitor must bring and submit their Repertoire/Copyright Form and hard copy of music, to the registration desk on competition day/s.
- d) Two or more movements from a suite/collection of pieces is acceptable as one work but must be performed within the time limit for that section.
- e) The same repertoire may not be performed in more than one section by any one competitor. Competitors who attempt to do so may still be adjudicated but will not be eligible for a prize.
- f) Concerto piece must be an original, not an arrangement.
- g) Solo Sections: A maximum of two solo piano pieces may be played within applicable time limit for the section – interpreted as total time at the piano. Pieces may be contrasting.
- h) Accompaniment: permitted only in the Concerto Section but no other section.
- i) Diploma Section performance piece/s must be from the syllabus of any recognized examination body.

### 6. Time Limits

- Section 1, Novice: Age open, studying up to grade 1; 3 minutes
- Section 2, Intermediate: Age 10 years and under, studying up to grade 3; 3 minutes
- Section 3, Intermediate: Age 14 years and under, studying up to grade 5; 7 minutes
- Section 4, 7 years and under – 3 minutes
- Section 5, 9 years and under – 5 minutes
- Section 6, 11 years and under – 8 minutes

- Section 7, 13 years and under – 10 minutes
- Section 8, 15 years and under – 10 minutes
- Section 9, 18 years and under – 12 minutes
- Section 10, Australian Composer: Ages 10 years and under: 5 minutes
- Section 11, Australian Composer: Ages 11 to 14: 8 minutes
- Section 12, Australian Composer: Ages 15 and over: 10 minutes
- Section 13, Concerto: Age Open: 15 minutes
- Section 14, (Diploma) – 12 minutes
- Section 15, Duets (9 years and under) – 5 minutes
- Section 16, Duets (14 years and under) – 8 minutes
- Section 17, Duets (18 years and under) – 10 minutes

## 7. Competition Day

- a) All competitors are required to register 30 minutes before the beginning of their part/section.
- b) Warm up rooms will not be available on the day. Competitors are not permitted to enter the AMEB practice rooms.
- c) No sound or video recording of any performance is permitted other than for official MTAQ purposes in the Highlights Concert.
- d) A pedal extender will be available for younger age groups.

## 8. Adjudicators

- a) Copies of music for adjudicators, along with Repertoire/Copyright Forms are to be submitted on the day of the competition, this is in accordance with copyright laws. Photocopied material will not be returned.
- b) No competitor, parent, guardian or teacher may communicate with adjudicators during the competition.
- c) An entrant, that is the student of an adjudicator, is not permitted to receive a prize but may still perform in their registered section.
- d) Written adjudicators' reports will be available as a guideline for future performances, but no point scores will be given. NB: Competitors can collect adjudication comments from the registration desk at the end of their section.
- e) The adjudicator's decision is final and no further correspondence will be entered into.

## 5. Highlights Concert:

- a) All section winners are invited to play at a Highlights Concert. The date of the Concert is Sunday 14 October 2018 and be held at the MTAQ Auditorium. All 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> prize winners will be presented with their awards at the concert. There is to be one performance only by a winner or prize getter.
- b) Entrants will be contacted after the competition regarding session times and order of play.

Competition organizers reserve the right to interpret the application of any rules. All competitors will be issued with a performer's pass to allow entry to all sessions.

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