

THE 2012 SCHUBERT CLUB SCHOLARSHIP COMPETITION
COLLEGE PIANO & GRADUATE PIANO
Requirements for Performance

Memorization: *Required*

Scores: Do not provide music for the judges at Preliminaries unless you have selected a rarely performed work. For Finals, you *MUST* provide the judge with scores.

Performance Requirements:

Literature: Prepare 4 contrasting selections from 4 different style periods
Performance time: College – 8 minutes for Preliminaries, 12 minutes for Finals
Graduate – 10 minutes for Preliminaries, 15 minutes for Finals

Four selections: Must contrast in style with each other and be chosen from four of the following classifications.

Baroque	<i>Handel, Bach, Scarlatti, etc.</i>
Classical	<i>Haydn, Clementi, Mozart, Beethoven, etc.</i>
Romantic	<i>Schubert, Schumann, Chopin, Rachmaninov, etc.</i>
Impressionist	<i>Debussy, Fauré, etc.</i>
Composers born after 1880	<i>Bartók, Prokofiev, Shostakovich, Ginastera, etc.</i>

-Cuts and repeats are not allowed.

-Concertos and arrangements are not admissible selections. Transcriptions are categorized by the era of the transcribing and not the original composer (e.g., a Bach/Busoni transcription is categorized as Romantic).

-If choosing a sonata, please include the opus number and key. Also indicate the specific movement(s) that you are prepared to perform by number and tempo. (e.g., Beethoven, Sonata in C major, op. 2, no. 3, mvt. 1, “allegro con brio”).

NOTE: If specific movements are not selected it will be assumed that you are prepared to perform any part of the entire sonata.

Performance Procedure and Atmosphere: Check in with the Registration Desk. You will be directed to warm-up rooms and the performance room for your category. Competitors must keep track of the time and go to the performance room at least 5 minutes prior to the scheduled performance time.

A Schubert Club volunteer announces each competitor’s performance number and his/her choice of first performance selection to the Preliminary judges. The competitor enters and may briefly test the keyboard prior to performing in full view of the judges. A volunteer is present to time each performance and critiquing period. The judges will ask for specific passages from at least two of the other prepared selections (e.g., a sonata exposition, or coda from a Romantic work). The judges may start or stop selections at any point during the total performance allotment.

Shortly after the Preliminaries, competitors will receive the judges’ written critiques by mail along with notification of whether they have been selected for the Finals. Finalists’ names will also be posted on The Schubert Club website.

At Finals, piano competitors will perform for a single judge using the same procedure as for Preliminaries. Each competitor must present the judge with scores. The judge will write critiques and select 1st and 2nd prize winners. Winners’ names are posted at the Competition site and on The Schubert Club website. Winners are also notified by mail and all competitors will receive the judge’s critique by mail.

No observers are allowed in the performance rooms and there is no direct communication between the competitor and the judge(s).