

The 6th Sendai International Music Competition General Outline

Title	The 6 th Sendai International Music Competition (abbreviated as SIMC)
Organizers	Sendai International Music Competition Organizing Committee City of Sendai Sendai Cultural Foundation
Sections	Violin Section and Piano Section
Competition Dates	Violin Section: Saturday, May 21, 2016 — Sunday, June 5, 2016 Piano Section: Saturday, June 11, 2016 — Sunday, June 26, 2016
Venue	Hitachi Systems Hall Sendai (Sendai City Youth Cultural Center) 3-27-5, Asahigaoka, Aoba-ku, Sendai City, Miyagi Pref., Japan
Eligibility	It is open to candidates of all nationalities born on or after January 1, 1988.
Application Deadline	The application package must be postmarked no later than November 16, 2015.
Application Method	Application documents and DVD or video data containing the Applicant's performance of the repertoire pieces must be submitted.
Entry fee	JPY10,000 (≈USD85*)
Repertoire	Focusing on concertos in the selection of repertoire.
Prizes	[1st prize] Cash prize of JPY 3,000,000 (≈USD25,641*); Diploma; Gold Medal; CD Production; Concerts with the Sendai Philharmonic Orchestra or other major orchestras in Japan; Recitals in Japan [2 nd prize] Cash prize of JPY 2,000,000 (≈USD17,094*); Diploma; Silver Medal [3 rd prize] Cash prize of JPY 1,000,000 (≈USD8,547*); Diploma; Bronze Medal [4 th prize] Cash prize of JPY 800,000 (≈USD6,838*); Diploma [5 th prize] Cash prize of JPY 700,000 (≈USD5,983*); Diploma [6 th prize] Cash prize of JPY 600,000 (≈USD5,128*); Diploma
Travel Expense Grants	The Secretariat shall provide the grants as follows to Contestants who live outside of Japan to help them pay for round trip transportation to Sendai: [Asia] JPY50,000 (≈USD427*) [Other] JPY100,000 (≈USD855*)
Accommodation for Contestants	If the Contestant uses the accommodation of the Secretariat's choice from the day of registration until the day specified, the organizers shall pay the accommodation (one single room basic room charge and breakfast) expenses for the Contestant for the duration of his or her stay. All other expenses shall be borne by the Contestant. * Homestay program operated by the citizen volunteers may also be available for the Contestants not advancing to next Round.
Others	Performance opportunities such as mini-concerts during the Competition period, after completion of the Contestants' last Round
Managing committee Chairperson	EBISAWA Bin, Honorary Professor, Graduate School of SHOBI University
Jury Chairperson	[Violin Section] HORIGOME Yuzuko / [Piano Section] NOJIMA Minoru
Chamber ensemble (without conductor)	[Violin Section Preliminary Round] The Chamber ensemble consisting of some members from Sendai Philharmonic Orchestra and some members from Yamagata Symphony Orchestra
Orchestra	[Violin / Piano Section, Semifinal and Final Round] Sendai Philharmonic Orchestra
Conductor	[Violin Section] HIROKAMI Junichi (Chief Conductor & Music Advisor of Kyoto Symphony Orchestra) [Piano Section] Pascal VERROT (Chief Conductor of the Sendai Philharmonic Orchestra)

*Calculated based on the exchange rate of 15 Jan. 2015 (USD1=JPY117)



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Schedule

< Up to selection of Contestants >

Schedule	Dates	Remarks
Deadline for application package containing required items and for payment of entry fee	November 16, 2015	
Pre-Selection	January, 2016	*Pre-Selection shall NOT be open to the public
Pre-Selection results sent out	By February 15, 2016	
Deadline for changes to the repertoire	March 15, 2016	

< Preliminary Round — Prizewinners' Gala Concert >

Violin Section	Dates	Detail	Number of Contestants
Registration	Thursday, May 19, 2016		
Preliminary Round	Saturday, May 21, 2016 — Monday, May 23, 2016	• Performing solo • Performing with a chamber ensemble	approx. 36
Semifinal Round	Friday, May 27, 2016 — Sunday, May 29, 2016	Performing with an orchestra	12
Final Round	Thursday, June 2, 2016 — Saturday, June 4, 2016	Performing with an orchestra	6
Prizewinners' Gala Concert	Sunday, June 5, 2016	Performing with an orchestra	1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizewinners

Piano Section	Dates	Detail	Number of Contestants
Registration	Thursday, June 9, 2016		
Preliminary Round	Saturday, June 11, 2016 — Monday, June 13, 2016	Performing solo	approx. 36
Semifinal Round	Friday, June 17, 2016 — Sunday, June 19, 2016	Performing with an orchestra	12
Final Round	Thursday, June 23, 2016 — Saturday, June 25, 2016	Performing with an orchestra	6
Prizewinners' Gala Concert	Sunday, June 26, 2016	Performing with an orchestra	1st, 2nd and 3rd Prizewinners



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