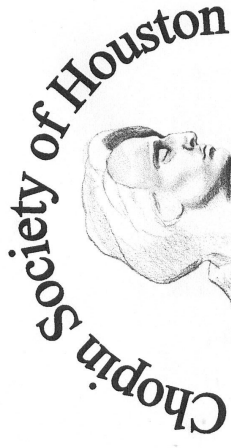


APPLICATION FORM
MUST BE TYPED OR PRINTED

Please note:

**Deadline for submitting applications with accompanying proofs of age and fees is
Friday, October 3, 2008**



Participant's first name: _____ middle initial: _____ last name: _____
Participant's date of birth (mm/dd/yyyy): ____/____/____ Occupation: _____
Participant's Number: () ____ - ____ Participant's E-mail: _____
Participant's address: _____

Announces

Category (circle one): Competitive / Non-competitive

Repertoire:

TITLE	KEY	OPUS	NUMBER	DURATION (in minutes)

I assert that I make my living from sources other than playing or teaching piano, do not hold any degree in piano performance or piano pedagogy, and study piano as a hobby.

Signature _____ Date _____

Third Chopin Competition
For Adult Amateur Pianists
&
Chopin Recital
Performed by Adult Amateur Pianists

Saturday
November 1, 2008

Houston Community College
1010 W. Sam Houston Pkwy N.
Houston, TX 77043

All rules and repertoire requirements must be followed.

General information and rules

Third Chopin Competition for Adult Amateur Pianists and Chopin Recital performed by Adult Amateur Pianists, organized by Chopin Society of Houston, will be take place Saturday, November 1, 2008, at the Houston Community College Town and Country campus in Houston, Texas. These events are open to all adult amateur pianists, born before January 1, 1981, who make their living from sources other than playing or teaching piano, do not hold any degree in piano performance or piano pedagogy, and study piano as a hobby.

Applications and registration fees must be received by October 3, 2008. Make copies of the form for each participant. Information on application form must be typed or printed in block letters. Proof of age (such as copy of a driver's license, passport, or birth certificate) and a non-refundable fee of \$75 per competition entry or \$75 per recital entry must accompany each application. Please make check payable to: Chopin Society of Houston. Send the application material to:

Chopin Society of Houston
1938 Baker Trail
Houston, TX 77094

Participants will be notified of performance times immediately after closing the list of applicants. This list will also be published on our Website at:
www.chopinsocietyofhouston.org.

Participants in competitive category are required to bring their music (preferably with measures numbered). They will be judged by a panel of outstanding musicians. Written comments from the judges will be available following the competition.

All performers are expected to wear appropriate attire to ensure a proper atmosphere. The Chopin Society of Houston reserves the right to record all performances during the event for use at its own discretion. By signing the application form the participant renounces all rights and fees.

Repertoire Requirements (Non-competitive category)

Recital participants are invited to perform a selection of one longer or several shorter contrasting compositions of Fryderyk Chopin up to the time limit of 12 minutes. Participants are NOT required to perform works from memory and may use original sheet music. No changes or substitutions will be accepted. Please note: Only original versions will be accepted – No transcriptions – No arrangements.

Repertoire Requirements (Competitive category)

Competition participants are required to perform one of the following nocturnes:

- B-flat minor, Op. 9, No. 1
- F Major, Op. 15, No. 1
- D-flat Major, Op. 27, No. 2
- B Major, Op. 32, No. 1
- F minor, Op. 55, No. 1

and, in addition, a selection of one or several contrasting compositions of Fryderyk Chopin up to the time limit of 12 minutes (including the required nocturne). One larger work, such as a Ballade or Scherzo, may be submitted and performed along with the required piece, even if it exceeds the time limit. All works must be performed by memory. No changes or substitutions will be accepted. Please note: Only original versions will be accepted – No transcriptions – No arrangements.

Awards

Gold, Silver, and Bronze medals, Honorable Mentions, and Special Prizes for the Best Performances of Required Composition, a Polonaise, and a Mazurka will be awarded to participants in competitive category. A Diploma of Recognition will be presented to each participant in both non-competitive and competitive categories.

The judges' decisions will be final.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please e-mail us: info@chopinsocietyofhouston.org. You may also call: 281.578.2651