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THE PREMIERE MUSICAL EVENT COMING SOON!

The 2012 Festival of Music &
The 10th Washington International Piano Artists Competition
August 3-5, 2012

Dateline: WASHINGTON, DC

The Washington International Piano Arts Council (WIPAC) in cooperation with The George Washington University Music Department and the Embassies of Bulgaria, France and Poland proudly presents “The 2012 Festival of Music and the 10th Washington International Piano Artists Competition” on August 2-5. Join us and be a part of history and tradition as WIPAC reaches a milestone celebrating its 10th anniversary presenting this exciting festival and competition for pianists 31 years and older from all walks of life, striving for artistic achievement. This unique event welcomes all classical piano enthusiasts and is open to the public!

The 10th Washington International Piano Artist Competition welcomes 25 amateur classical pianists representing the European, Pacific and American regions who will compete for prizes in a three-day event culminating in an awards ceremony and celebratory dinner at the French Embassy. On Saturday, August 4, 12 competitors will make it to the semifinals at Kosciuszko Foundation in Washington D.C. On Sunday, August 5, 6 will be selected for the final round at La Maison Française. There is an “audience choice” vote conducted after the final round and that winning pianist receives a cash award. To be fair, make sure you hear them all! Many cash awards are being offered this year thanks to WIPAC’s generous donors. First prize award is $2,000.

Eight expert Judges in the classical genre will select the winners during the three-day competitions. A talented group of international pianists will compete for honor, distinction, and awards. A distinguished panel of judges has been selected from different Schools of Music in our country. The program includes performances of great pieces from the Baroque period to contemporary. These pianists will delight you with their talent and music.

Special Awards include a Solo Debut Recital at the Kosciuszko Foundation Center, its museum, library, and DC headquarters and Cash Prizes to the Winner and the Finalists. The Embassy of Poland has offered a grant toward an award for best performance of Polish works. There are also Special Cash Awards, i.e., best performances of Beethoven and an American composer. All awards will be presented after the Final Rounds at an Awards Ceremony, followed by the Celebratory Dinner at La Maison Française.

Please join the Winners and members of WIPAC, so that together, we can make music flourish in our community and spread goodwill to all. Join our membership and be counted!

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Chairmen of WIPAC FESTIVAL 2012 and 10th Piano Competition
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Why WIPAC matters in today’s world?.................The Washington International Piano Competition has established itself as a global premiere musical competition dedicated to the discovery of the world’s finest amateur pianists. Three decades of research from Harvard and MIT shows that if you listen to classical music like Mozart, the listener will adapt their heart beat to the beat of the music.” So it's not the fact that a song can make us smile, classical music can actually affect how the brain and body functions and can help individuals of all ages cope more effectively with life's daily challenges to avoid emotional, physical and professional burnout and relieve pain!

Be a part of this unique experience! Listen to these wonderful competitors and see the immediate results for yourself! To become a General Member; you may download a full application form from the website at www.wipac.org or e-mail us at wipacusa@gmail.com. Looking forward to see all!

COMPETITION SCHEDULE OF EVENTS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

August 3rd– Friday 10am-5pm Preliminary Rounds; Announcement of Semi-Finals and Cocktails
August 4th - Saturday 1:30pm-6:30pm - Semi-Final Round, Buffet Reception follows
The Kosciuszko foundation, 2025 O Street
August 4th - Saturday – 10am-12:00pm - Pianists Concert VENUE TBA
Saturday – 9:30am - 11:00am- Master Class I by Janice Weber
11:00am-12:30pm - Master Class II by Prof. T. Konstantinov
August 5th - Sunday – 10am- 11:30am by Dr. Raymond Jackson
GWU Music Dept. at Phillips Hall, 22nd and H Streets
August 5th -Sunday 1:30pm-6:30pm — Final Round, Award Ceremony and
7:30pm-10:00pm - Celebratory Dinner
La Maison Française, Embassy of France, 4101 Reservoir Road, Washington, DC

DONATION:

Celebratory Dinner -$75.00 Final Rounds included - $95.00
Official program - $ 7.00 FINAL ROUNDS ONLY - $ 25.00

Final Rounds - 2PM-6PM and Dinner - 7:30pm-10PM
La Maison Française, the Embassy of France

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