



# MMTA Student Composition Contest

## Purpose

To encourage students to learn about the art of music composition and creatively apply the principles learned in musical study.

## Deadline

March 1, 2009

## How to Register

Send completed student composition contest registration form (*See Handbook pg. 55*), composition(s) and appropriate fee to the **MMTA Office, 10800 Lyndale Ave S, Ste. 263, Bloomington, MN 55420**. If desired, students may include a recording of their composition on cassette tape or CD. (**Note:** *Cassettes and CDs will not be returned.*)

## Fees

- Primary (Grade 3 and under) - \$15
- Elementary (Grades 4, 5, 6) - \$15
- Junior High (Grades 7, 8, 9) - \$15
- Senior High (Grades 10, 11, 12) - \$15
- Additional entry fee for Non-Member Teachers - \$125

## Procedures

ÿ See **General Rules and Procedures for All MMTA Programs, pg. 10**.

ÿ **Composition Criteria/Requirements:**

- ÿ Only one entry per student.
- ÿ Compositions submitted in previous years may not be re-entered.
- ÿ Compositions may be written for more than one medium, but for no more than 10 performers.
- ÿ Multi-movement works are allowable, but must not be more than 10 minutes in length.

ÿ **Score Presentation:**

- ÿ The student's name *should not be written on the score itself*. The Program Director will retain all registration forms and will ensure each teacher receives the proper scores for their student(s).
- If handwritten copies are entered, pencil is allowed for the Primary, Elementary and Jr. High categories. Ink is required for Senior High. Computer-generated scores may also be submitted with the scores created by the student.
- ÿ Compositions with more than one page should be bound together.
- ÿ Measures need to be numbered at the left of each staff system.
- ÿ If desired, students may include a recording of their composition on cassette tape or CD. (**Note:** *Cassettes and CDs will not be returned.*)

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## Awards

All students receive a Certificate of Participation. In addition, First, Second and Third Place winners - as well as Honorable Mention - are chosen in each category. Winners are awarded a certificate accompanied by a monetary award.

## Form

See page 55, or [www.mnmusicteachers.com](http://www.mnmusicteachers.com).