

# 28<sup>th</sup> annual Rembrandt HIGH SCHOOL CHAMBER MUSIC CHAMBER MUSICIANS COMPETITION

## COMPETITION GUIDELINES

The Rembrandt Chamber Musicians' 28<sup>th</sup> Annual High School Chamber Music Competition is scheduled for **Sunday, February 12, 2023 in North Park University's Anderson Chapel**. The competition's first round will take place on YouTube and the top ten performances will be invited to compete live in Anderson Chapel. **All application materials including the performance video must be submitted no later than 11:59 pm CST on Wednesday, February 1, 2023.**

**Applicants' performance videos will be featured on a public YouTube playlist for families and RCM supporters to view February 5-12, 2023. Final round participants will be notified on Monday, February 6, 2023. Winning ensembles will be announced on Sunday, February 12, 2023.**

The competition is open to all high school age musicians. Younger musicians are welcome to enter the competition, but the ensemble must contain a majority of students who are at least a freshman in high school. High school graduates are not permitted to compete.

Ensemble size may range from trio to octet.

Ensembles must perform one or more movements from a single chamber work. All selections performed must be from the same musical work. Total performance time must be between five and ten minutes.

Ensembles may be composed of past first and second place winners as long as the total number does not exceed 50% of the current ensemble's membership. First and second place ensembles from 2021 may not compete as a group.

All groups entering the competition must select a name for their ensemble to be used in future announcements.

Each group will receive written evaluations from the judges after the competition.

Winning ensemble videos will be featured on our YouTube channel.

### **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

1. Completed application form
2. 1 PDF copy of the score emailed to [managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org](mailto:managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org)
3. Nonrefundable entry fee of \$25 per musician (checks made payable to Rembrandt Chamber Players, Inc.) mailed to 848 Dodge Ave, #229, Evanston, IL 60202
4. Signed Media Release *from each participant* emailed to [managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org](mailto:managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org)
5. Public YouTube link to Applicant's performance video emailed to [managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org](mailto:managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org)

**All application materials must be received by 11:59 PM CST on Wednesday, February 1, 2023. Late applications will not be accepted.**

### **2023 Video Requirements:**

- Public YouTube link of Applicants' performance video must be emailed to [managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org](mailto:managingdirector@rembrandtchambermusicians.org) no later than 11:59 pm CST on Wednesday, February 1, 2023.
- Applicant's YouTube video description must include the following in this exact order:
  - Ensemble Name
  - High School or Sponsoring Organization
  - Composer
  - Composition
  - Composition Movement
  - Coach
  - Each Musicians' name and instrument
- Each performance video must be a complete take with no editing.

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- A movement must be recorded in its entirety; however, breaks may be taken between individual movements.
- The video must include all ensemble members at all times.
- The video should remain stationary without panning, fade-in/out, close-up techniques, or multiple camera angles.
- The ensemble should fill the screen as much as possible.

## **AWARDS, RECOGNITION, AND PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES**

Cash prizes for first and second place ensembles

First place ensemble will receive one coaching session with a Rembrandt Chamber Musicians member, scheduled by winning ensemble

First, second, and honorable mentions' performance videos will be featured on Rembrandt Chamber Musicians' YouTube Channel

First place ensemble will perform at Rembrandt Chamber Musicians' concert *The Mad Decade* on Sunday, March 12, 2023 at 3:00 pm at Nichols Concert Hall.

Additional performances opportunities may arise in 2023 for first, second, and honorable mentions

Recognition as Rembrandt Young Artists for one calendar year