Kalamazoo Bach Festival
2020 Young Vocalists Competition
For High School Students

Deadline to Enter: Tuesday, February 4, 2020
Competition: Saturday, February 8, 10 am - 2 pm, 2020
Concert Performance: Wednesday, March 4, 7 pm, 2020

AWARDS — CASH PRIZES AND PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY
Cash Prizes:
First Prize: $500.00
Second Prize: $200.00
Third Prize: $100.00
Honorable Mentions (up to 2) $ 50.00

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITY
The first place winner will be invited to perform in concert with the Kalamazoo Bach Festival at the Love Is Concert. The winner will be featured as a guest soloist on Wednesday March 4, 2020 and must attend a dress rehearsal on Tuesday, March 3 at 7 pm. Prizes and awards will be forfeited if you are unable to rehearse and perform for the concert. All awards will be given at the discretion of the judges.

COMPETITION
The Competition will be held in the Light Fine Arts Building, Kalamazoo College, Kalamazoo, Michigan. Applicants qualifying for the competition must bring one copy of original music; no additional copies are required. However, your accompanist may use copies of your scores. Applicants should be able to perform their pieces from memory. The competition and concert are open to the public.

The High School Competition will begin at 10:00 am on Saturday, February 8, 2020. There will be two or three adjudicators. Winners will be notified by phone and email no later then Monday, February 10, 2020.

ELIGIBILITY
You must be currently enrolled in High School or home schooled. You may not win first place two years in a row but you can compete every year.

REPERTOIRE REQUIREMENTS
Time limit is 8 minutes. Entrants must prepare one song from each of the following categories for a total of two songs: A foreign language art song sung in the original language; an aria sung in the original language, or a musical theatre selection, jazz standard, or piece from the American Songbook

ACCOMPANIST—COMPETITION AND CONCERT
Applicants may supply their own accompanist who is not bound by the age requirements. A staff accompanist will be available for both the Competitions and the Young Vocalists Concert.

If you choose to use Bach Festival’s staff accompanist, copies of all music must be included with your application so that the accompanist has time to prepare. Rehearsal fees with any accompanist are your responsibility. You will not be charged to use the Bach Festival Accompanist for the competition.
APPLICATION PROCESS
The Kalamazoo Bach Festival will accept the first 40 applications. The Kalamazoo Bach Festival reserves the right to adjust the number of competitors depending on the number of applications received. Entry fees will be returned to non-qualifying applicants. Applicants will be contacted in the order they are received shortly after their application is approved to sign up for an audition time. A reminder email with audition information will be sent out to all competitors on Thursday, February 6.

Application must be postmarked or emailed by Tuesday, February 4, 2020, and include:
- Non-refundable $25.00 entry fee payable by check, Visa, MC, or Discover credit card, or debit card
- Proof of age
- If using Bach Festival staff accompanist—(copies mailed or PDF e-mailed)

MAIL TO:  
Young Vocalists Competition  
Kalamazoo Bach Festival  
1200 Academy Street  
Kalamazoo, MI 49006

OR E-MAIL TO:  
bach@kzoo.edu

QUESTIONS?
269-337-7407 | bach@kzoo.edu
Contact Information: (Please type or print clearly and check that all fields have been completed)

Name:____________________________________________________________________________________

Age on Feb 8, 2020:____________ E-Mail: (required)____________________________________________________________________________________

Mailing Address:____________________________________________________________________________

City:_________________________ ST:___________ Zip:____________ Phone:__________________________

Voice Part:_________________________ Voice Teacher:_______________________________________________

Name of High School:___________________________________________

Repertoire: (composer, title, name of larger work when appropriate)

1.________________________________________________________________________________________

2.________________________________________________________________________________________

Accompanist:
I will:               use my own (my accompanist's name:______________________________________________)

use the Bach Festival staff accompanist for the competition

Signature of applicant __________ Date __________ Parent/Guardian signature for minors

By signing this registration form, I agree to:
be available for the March 3 dress rehearsal and March 4, 2020 concert as described in this application.

adhere to the Copyright Laws of the United States in the use of musical scores for the competition.
release to the Bach Festival Society of Kalamazoo unlimited audio, video and broadcast rights.
accept the responsibilities and abide by the competition rules.

YOUR APPLICATION CHECK LIST

ENTRY Fee: $25 Entry Fee (non-refundable) — please circle method of payment:

Check enclosed; payable to Kalamazoo Bach Festival, or Visa/MasterCard/Discover
CC#_______________________________________________________ Exp__________

Signature:_____________________________________________________________________

PROOF OF AGE (mail with your application or send as PDF attachments via email)
Photocopy of proof of age

IF YOU ARE USING THE BACH FESTIVAL STAFF ACCOMPANIST:
SCORES: Copies of scores may be mailed with your application or sent as PDF attachments via email.
The contact information of the Bach Festival Staff accompanist will be shared with you and it is your
responsibility to schedule and pay for any rehearsals prior to the competition.

APPLICATION DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 4, 2020 (postmarked or sent via email).
MAIL TO: Young Vocalists Competition, Kalamazoo Bach Festival, 1200 Academy St., Kalamazoo, MI 49006-3295
EMAIL TO: BACH@KZOO.EDU (Put “Young Vocalists Competition—Your Name” in the subject line)