

# **Ovation Award Contest Rules**

# 1. How to Enter the Contest

- a. Entries may be submitted starting Friday, March 15, 2024. All entries must be received by the PYO Music Institute (PYOMI) no later than 11:59 p.m., Sunday, April 14, 2024.
- b. To participate in the Ovation Award contest, complete the online application. All entries must include nominator's first and last name, mailing address, a phone number where we can reach you during the day, email address, and all other requested information on the Ovation Award contest page.
- c. PYOMI is not responsible for a submission that is lost, undelivered or misdirected, or for entries not received due to difficulty accessing the Internet, service outages or delays, computer difficulties or other technological glitches.
- d. From all entries, ten finalists and one grand prize winner will be chosen by the Ovation Award panel of experts. Finalists will be notified by Friday, May 3, 2024. The Ovation Award recipient will be announced on June 2, 2024, at the Philadelphia Youth Orchestra's 84th Annual Festival Concert.

## 2. Eligibility Restrictions

Nominators may be current or former music students of any age. Nominees may be current or retired music teachers. One nomination per nominator.

### 3. The Prizes

- a. The 2024 Ovation Award recipient will receive an award tribute, cash prize, and other recognition from our sponsors.
- b. The award prize has a total estimated value of \$2,000.
- c. All costs and expenses not specifically listed in the above prize description are the responsibility of the winner, including but not limited to transportation and parking for the award ceremony (if scheduled). No cash or other substitution, assignment or transfer of any prize permitted.
- d. Winner is responsible for all federal, state and local taxes if applicable.

#### 4. Selection of Winner

a. Decisions of the Ovation Award adjudicators with respect to the contest are final.

#### 5. Conditions

a. By participating in the contest, the winner agrees to have his or her name, voice, or likeness used in any public relations, social media, website, and marketing material relating to this contest without additional financial or other compensation, and to sign a publicity release prior to acceptance of the prize. The winner must also sign a prize receipt and certify compliance with all eligibility requirements prior to release of the prize.

## 6. Right to Make Changes

PYO Music Institute reserves the right to make changes in the rules of the contest. There is no substitution, transfer, assignment, or cash equivalent for prizes.

## 7. No Purchase Required

No purchase or donation is necessary.

## 8. Responsibilities

PYO Music Institute is not responsible for typographical or other errors in the printing, the offering or the administration of the contest or in the announcement of a prize, or cancellation of the performance.

# 9. Copies of the Contest Rules

Copies of the written contest rules will be available up to 30 days after the end of the contest at pyomusic.org. You may also receive the rules by mail by sending a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: PYO Music Institute, P.O. Box 41810, Philadelphia, PA 19101, Attn: Ovation Award.

## 10. Privacy Notice

Any information Entrants provide to PYO Music Institute will be used to communicate with Entrants in relation to this contest and will not be shared with any additional parties.