

MUSIC ARRANGING COMPETITION

Edvard Grieg
Society of Minnesota



A PROGRAM OF NORWAY HOUSE

The Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota 2024 Arranging Competition Rules and Regulations

This competition is designed to encourage arrangers to explore the music of Grieg and other Nordic composers, raise awareness of the Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota, and bring the music of the Nordic master composers, as well as the folk music of Nordic countries, to the attention of the next generation of young musicians.

Prizes awarded in both Young Artist and Advanced Divisions

First Prize: \$1,500 CASH AWARD

PLUS! a travel stipend to attend the
August 2025 Norway House
Sommer Fest Competition Weekend
in Minneapolis, Minnesota

Second Prize: \$1,000 CASH AWARD

Third Prize: \$500 CASH AWARD

Age and Eligibility

- Young Artist Division: open to arrangers age 25 and younger as of March 1, 2024
- Advanced Division: open to arrangers aged 26 and older as of March 1, 2024.

Requirements

The successful candidate will have arranged either: a) a folk song from one of the Scandinavian countries (Norway, Denmark, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Sweden, or music of the Sami people), or; b) a work of art music in the public domain by a recognized composer from a Scandinavian country. The arrangement will be suitable for a high-level high school band, choir or orchestra. Submission requirements are the same for both the Young Artist and Advanced Artist divisions.

Rules

- Submissions must be an arrangement of an existing work and the arranger will explain the origin of the source material (e.g., “*My work is an arrangement for chorus of a song by Grieg, opus X, no. X*”).
- Works may be submitted whether or not they have been performed publicly.
- Works that have already won a prize as of the date of submission are ineligible.
- An entrant may submit a maximum of three (3) works, but please note no individual contestant will be awarded more than one prize in any given year. Each submission will require a separate application and fee.
- Submissions in the Young Artist division must be accompanied by a photocopy of the arranger’s passport, birth certificate or driver’s license
- Works may be any length.
- Each submission must be signed by the applicant. In so doing, the applicant affirms that: a) they are the creator of the arrangement being submitted, and; b) they will make themselves available to appear at the August 2025 Winners’ Recital in Minneapolis.

How to Apply

- Download and complete the application form
- Submit the application form to edvardgriegsocietymn@gmail.com along with
 - Full Scores (in pdf format)
 - Recording (MP3/MP4 or MIDI file audio or YouTube audio/visual)
- A non-refundable application fee of \$50 must be paid online for each submission.

NOTE: Applications in PDF format and audio recordings in MP3 format must be labeled/named/saved with the performer’s last name, followed

by first name, and submitted via email to edvardgriegsocietymn@gmail.com

Winning applicants will be required to submit a video performance of their work.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIALS AND APPLICATION FEE IS MARCH 1, 2024.

Incomplete applications will not be accepted.

Compliance

By signing your application, you agree to submit an honest and complete application and other materials, to follow the procedures, rules and expectations for all rounds of competition, and to make yourself available to appear at the Edvard Grieg Society of Minnesota 2025 Winners' Recital in Minneapolis.

Travel and Accommodations

A travel stipend of \$500 will be awarded to the first-place winner, with the expectation they will be present for the August 1, 2025, Winners' Recital in Minneapolis.

Questions?

Please email edvardgriegsocietymn@gmail.com

Rights of Organizers

The Organizers reserve the right to broadcast the winning video recordings, as well as the right to post them on their website without any compensation to the contestants and their ensembles.

Copyright compliance: the Organizing Committee shall not be entitled to use and distribute for its own purposes the works of the festival competition participants without the consent of the participant

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