



Call for Competition

Bayreuth Scholarship and Richard Wagner Young Talent Award 2024

The "Oper Leipzig" and the "Richard Wagner Association Leipzig" offers three scholarships for the Bayreuth Festival 2024 as a reward for the work of Richard Wagner in the categories "vocals", "instrumental music" (piano solo and organ excluded) and "correpetition". Prizes are awarded:

1st Price 2.000€ | 2nd Price 1.000€ | 3rd Price 800€

The selection of the scholarship holders and the awardees will take place on

Monday 12 and Tuesday 13 in February 2024

from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the concert foyer of Oper Leipzig.

Accepted are candidates up to the age of 35, who currently study at a European university, a conservatory or an equivalent institution. The contest will be put out for tender throughout Europe at state universities of music, conservatories as well as on equivalent institutions.

Candidates should apply with:

- curriculum vitae
- Certificate of enrolment
- a letter of motivation
- competition entry (with a work of free choice and a work - if possible – by Richard Wagner or from the surrounding of Richard Wagner)
- one or more mp3 recordings
- Letter of reference from a teacher or artist in training

For participants „correpetition“:

The participants are asked to prepare an opera-scene that is to be played and sung by the participant. Further we kindly ask to work with a singer of the competition (Information through the Jury)

Competition procedure:

- Musical recital of at least 10 up to max. 20 min
- Short interview with the members of the jury (eventually and max. 10 min)
- At the end of the second day an optional personal feedback from the jury

The Jury:

- Jasmin Solfaghari (chair), Opera director, PAMY Mediaproductions
- Christoph Gedschold, Oper Leipzig, music director
- Dr. Cornelia Preissinger, Opera director and deputy artistic director of the Oper Leipzig
- Prof. Helmut Kukuk, Hochschule für Musik und Theater Leipzig, opera school, part study
- Peter Korfmacher, Leipziger Volkszeitung, head of department culture

The jury is entitled to interrupt competition contributions and, if necessary, to ask for repetition. A Richard-Wagner-Scholarship for the Bayreuth Festival can only be assigned, if the participant was not scholarship holder in Bayreuth so far.

On the second day of competition a personal consultation for the participant with the jury will be enabled.

One Overnight accommodation and breakfast for participants who do not live in Leipzig will be provided of the contest. Arrival and departure is at the participants own responsibility.

When submitting their application, the candidates agree in writing that photos, film and sound recordings made during the competition may be used by the Richard-Wagner Association Leipzig and their sponsors to promote the event.

The scholarship holders agree to perform at the award ceremony and festive concert in honor of Richard Wagner on **Wednesday, February 14, 2024** in the concert foyer of the Oper Leipzig. They are asked to write an experience report about their stay in Bayreuth and to be available for a prize winners' concert in the following twelve months.

Participants are requested to inform themselves in good time about the entry regulations valid at that time.

Please send your application
Only in digital format until **November 15th 2023** to:

wettbewerb@wagner-verband-leipzig.de

Candidates will be informed about their acceptance
for the competition until **December 1st 2023**

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