



International Children and Youth Festival Competition "Star Rain in Prague"

The 9th International Youth and Children's music festival
"Star Rain in Prague"

Prague is one of the most charming cities of Europe! Is there anything more beautiful? Well, there is! It is festival-contest "The Star Rain in Prague". Concert hall with excellent acoustics, where the competition days and gala concert are held, Czech jury, prizes and awards, conveniently located hotel and tour to the beautiful city - Dresden.

Prague is waiting!



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Conditions about festival-competition

The main purpose of the festival is to promote children and young people creativity, strengthening friendly ties and creative contacts of children and young people from different countries, as well as:

- giving them opportunity to demonstrate their artistry and their ethnic cultural features,
- promotion and development of children and youth creativity
- development of international ties in the field of cultural exchange.

Who can take part in the "Star Rain" children and youth festival:

- Children and youth dance groups of different performing styles,
- Vocalists (soloist, duets and vocal groups) of different styles,
- Choirs
- Art groups that perform in classic and original styles of drama and circus arts.
- Instrumentist
- Fashion show.

Requirements for participation in the festival

- Participant of the festival-contest can be any creative group or performer at the age of 6 to 30 year
- To participate in the festival-contest following information should be sent by email to the address v.leis@mtvberlin.de
 1. Application for participation in the festival-contest
 2. Photo
 3. Performance program
 4. Brief information about the group (lead singer)
 5. visa application form for participants outside of the EU
 6. rooming list for hotel accommodation
- Group member who wishes to perform as a soloist is considered as an independent participant, in this case he/she has to present a separate application form and to discuss the possibility of participation in the additional nomination.
- Participants are evaluated on two performances shown by one group or solo in one or different days of the competition. The exception to the participants are categories "Original genre" and "Fashion Show" - one performance for each category
- Audio tracks must be recorded on a separate CD or USB, preferably 1 CD/USB per 1 track. Each CD/USB must contain the following information: participants full name; group/ensemble name; title; running time
- It is allowed for solo vocalists to use recorded backing vocal or double-track in refrains
- The organizers have all rights to use audio and video materials of the festival competition

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- Deliveries by post are paid by the participants, the organizing committee does not return the materials back.
- The organizing committee alone approves the festival's entry list.
- Each festival competition participant will obtain notification in written form and an official invitation.
- Groups and soloists invited to participate in the festival competition are responsible for paying international insurance, application fee, round-trip air/rail tickets, meals and accommodation (**18.09.-22.09.2018: 345 Euro (see program)**) as well as a registration fee:
 - for soloist - 40,00 €
 - for duet, trio, groups till 5 persons - 80 €
 - for groups, from 6 persons 80, 00 € + 7 Euro for every other person

Soloists, duets, trios and ensembles are allowed to take part in one category, but in different genres, the registration fee for participating in another genre is:

- for soloist - 40,00 €
- for duet, trio, groups till 5 persons - 80 €

Categories, genres and age categories

1. Choir

- The competition is open to all children and youth choirs. Permissible age variation is 10% of the total number of participants, age variation is at most 2 years old. Choirs are divided into the following categories:
 - Children Choirs (7-15 years)
 - Boys' choirs
 - Girls' choirs
 - Mixed choirs
 - Young men choirs (15-25 years old)
 - Youth choirs
 - Young women choirs (15-25 years old)
 - Mixed choirs
- Contest program implies performance of 2 pieces, 5 minutes for each piece
- The number of choirs participants is not limited

Standards for evaluation: Artistic interpretation of the performed piece; performance style; harmony; tone's accuracy; performance character; performance culture (appearance, setting, stage presence)

2. Choreography (solo, ensemble, mixed group): folk dance, classical dance, modern choreography

- Age groups: 6-9 years, 10-13 years, 14-17 years, 18-25 years, 26-30 years
- Mixed group are not divided into age categories

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- The competition implies performing 2 pieces up to 4 minutes each.

Standards for evaluation: "Performing skills", "Choreographer's interpretation", "Dance composition and choreography", "Musical accompaniment", "Costumes", visual appeal.

3. Vocal (solo, ensemble from 2 to 12 people): pop, folk, academic, jazz

- Age categories: 6-9 years, 10-13 years, 14-17 years, 18-25 years, 26-30 years
- duet, trio, ensemble may enter the competition as "mixed group"
- It is permitted to sing to the playback -1
- The competition implies performing 2 pieces up to 3 min. 40 sec. each.
- Academic genre implies live accompaniment (piano, acoustic accompaniment)

Standards for evaluation: "Performing skill", "Performance accuracy", "Songs compilation", "Stage presence, performer's image."

4. Instrumental music (solo, ensemble, orchestra): piano, stringed instruments, pizzicato musical instruments, wind instruments, folk instruments

- Age categories: 6-9 years, 10-13 years, 14-17 years, 18-25 years, 26-30 years
- Mixed group are not divided into age categories
- The competition implies performing 2 pieces up to 4 minutes each.

Standards for evaluation: "Performance technique", "Musical sense", ("Musical pieces compilation", "Artistry")

5. Original genre (solo and ensemble): circus, sport and shows that don't involve stunts with fire or air

- Age groups: 7-15 years and 16-25 years old
- Ensemble may enter the competition as "mixed group"
- One or two competition pieces up to 10 minutes are to be performed

Standards for evaluation: "Performing technique", "Performing skills".

6. Fashion Show: (ready-to-wear, evening dress, children and teenage clothing, historical costume, etc.)

- Age categories: 7-15 years, 16-25 years, mixed groups
- One or two shows should be performed up to 10 minutes

Awarding ceremony

The festival's Grand Prix is awarded to winner in one of the categories, without reference to age group, follow the awardees of 1st, 2nd, 3rd places, diploma winners - 4th and 5th places and participants in each age group and category.

Soloists, duets, trios, ensembles are awarded with certificates, cups and keepsakes, all festival competition participants are awarded with keepsakes.

The jury with the approval of the organizing committee may certify special prize for festival competition participants.

In case of an equality of points, two or more participants may be awarded with same prize in each category and age group.

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In case no Grand Prix winner is determined, jury has right not to award Grand Prix in the categories.

The jury

Jury involves professionals in fields of music, culture and art. Performance evaluation is assessed by 11-point based system, the points from two performances are summed up.

Voting is secret and it's results are not made public.

Organizers

The organizers of the competition are: Musik, Treffs und Veranstaltungen e.V., «LIEDER LEIS» Musik Produktion. Concept and author's rights of the festival «**Star Rain in Prague**» reserved by Mr. Viktor Leis.

During the festivals preparation and realization all operational matters are dealt by the organizing committee headed by Mr. Leis.

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