



The International youth and children festival competition "Star Rain" "Die kleinen Sternschnuppen"

The international youth and children competition festival "Star rain" is a musical marathon, Berlin concert venues, european judges and an audience of more than a thousand people. Young performers have an opportunity to gain wide experience working on stage through festivals contest runs and more than thousand audience concerts.

During the four day festival competition the participants will perform on different Berlin stages and take part in gala concert and awards ceremony. The entertainment program includes city tour, "Berlin bridge" cruise that will help to get to know one of the most beautiful cities of Europe.

"Star Rain" is an unforgettable musical show where you will get a unique experience of festive atmosphere and spring mood!



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Terms and conditions

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" - "Classic" 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.
- Instrumentists
- Fashion show.

Requirements for participation in the festival

- Any performer or creative group that performs classical music or in classical style at the age of 6 to 25 years old
- To participate in the festival, please send the following documents by email to v.leis@mtvberlin.de: application for participation in the festival, a photograph, performance program, introduction to the group (soloist)

1. application for participation in the festival competition

2. a photograph

3. performance program

4. brief information about the group (soloist)

5. visa application form for participants outside of the EU

6. rooming list for hotel accomodation

- 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.
- The participants are evaluated on 2 performances shown by 1 group/ensemble.
- 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 participant will obtain notification in written form and an official invitation.
- Groups invited to participate in the festival competition are responsible for paying international insurance, application fee, round-trip air/rail tickets and accommodation **from 01.05.2019 to 06.05.2019 = 297 eur/person ("Comfort" package) or 267 eur/person ("Economy" package) -> for details see program of stay. Registration fee is paid separately:**
 - for the soloists - 40,00 €
 - for the duets, trios, groups, ensembles up to 5 people - 80 €
 - for groups, ensembles that are larger than 5 people 80,00 € + 9 Euro per each ensemble's participant.

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

- for the soloists - 40,00 €
- for the duets, trios, groups, ensembles up to 5 people - 80 €

Nominations, genres and the age categories

1. Choirs

- The competition is open to any children and youth choir groups. 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 old)
 - Boys' choir
 - Girls' choir
 - Mixed choir
 - Youth choir (15-25 years old)
 - Young men choir
 - Young women choir (15-25 years old)
 - Mixed choir
- Contest program implies performance of 2 pieces, 5 minutes for each piece
- The number of choir 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 old, 10-13 years old, 14-17 years old, 18-25 years old.
- Mixed groups are not divided into age groups.
- The competition implies performing 2 pieces up to 4 minutes each. 30 sec.

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 singers): pop, folk, academic, jazz

- Age groups: 6-9 years old, 10-13 years old, 14-17 years old, 18-25 years old.
- 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 minutes each. 40 sec.
- 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 groups: 6-9 years old, 10-13 years old, 14-17 years old, 18-25 years old.
- Mixed groups are not divided into age groups.
- 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, ensemble): circus, sport and shows that don't involve stunts with fire or air

- Age groups: 7-15 years old and 16-25
- ensemble may enter the competition as "mixed group"
- One up to 10 minutes competition piece is 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 groups: 7-15 years old, 16-25 years old, mixed groups.
- The competition implies one show 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.

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

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

Jury

Jury involves professionals in fields of music, culture and art. Performance evaluation is assessed by 10-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 contest are: Musik, Treffs und Veranstaltungen e.V., «LIEDER LEIS» Musik Produktion. Concept and author's rights of the festival competition "Star Rain" 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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