

GUSTAV MAHLER COMPOSITION PRIZE

Invitation to submit to

the 22nd International Gustav Mahler Composition Prize of the City of Klagenfurt.

Composers of any nationality and without age limit are invited to submit compositions (Duration: max. 10 minutes) for vocal quartet (soprano, alto, tenor, baritone).

We're happy to announce that the internationally renowned vocal ensemble "**Cantando Admont**" (<https://www.cantando-admont.com/>) will act as the competition's ensemble and will premiere the awarded works on **12th of July 2024** at the Musikforum-Viktring-Klagenfurt. In addition, the works will be recorded and broadcasted by the **Austrian national radio station Ö1**.

The **Gustav Mahler Composition Prize** was founded in 1995 and - in the spirit of the Musikforum - is characterized by openness to all musical directions. Submitting composers are encouraged to experiment and re-think stylistic boundaries. The integration of improvised elements is also possible.

THE JURY:

- Johannes Berauer (Chair – without voting rights)
- Cordula Bürgi (CH)
- Helena Sorokina (LVA)
- Klaus Lang (AUT)
- Hannes Kerschbaumer (IT)

The Jury's decision is final and will be made at the beginning of May 2024.

THE PRIZES:

- **1st Prize (sponsored by the city of Klagenfurt):** Euro 3.000,-
- **2nd Prize (sponsored by Land Kärnten):** Euro 1.500,-
- **3rd Prize (sponsored by Musikforum Viktring - Klagenfurt):** Euro 500,-

SUBMISSION:

The compositions are to be submitted in electronic form (PDF of the full score), sent as an e-mail attachment to office@musikforum.at along with the signed application form and composer's biography. Please note, that NO indication to the identity of the composer may appear on the scores' PDF file. The cover page of the score must indicate the title of the composition.

To make the jury's work easier, you may additionally submit a MIDI recording of the composition. This is considered extremely helpful, but not a requirement.

PDF/MP3 files will be forwarded to the jury anonymized.

The PDF-scores and all additional documents are to be sent by e-mail, titled

„Gustav Mahler Kompositionspreis 2024“, before **15th March 2024** to office@musikforum.at.

Please note that incomplete submissions cannot be considered.

The composers of the awarded pieces commit to be present at the premiere of their work (travel and accommodation expenses up to EUR 250 will be reimbursed by the Musikforum Viktring-Klagenfurt).

The submitted pieces may not be publicly performed or published before the premiere in Klagenfurt on July 12th, 2024.

The composer provides the sheet music to Musikforum Viktring-Klagenfurt on time and free of charge. Each participant can submit only one composition.

Please submit your full application titled **„Gustav Mahler Kompositionspreis 2024“**, before 15th March 2024 by e-mail to office@musikforum.at.

CHECKLIST:

- Full musical score (anonymized) and cover page with title of composition as PDF-file
- If possible: MP3 audio realization with composition's title as file name
- Filled out and signed application form (application form attached, or see: www.musikforum.at)
- biography