

**Press Release**

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## **International Piano Competition of Ile-de-France Call for applications 2022**

*The 23<sup>rd</sup> International Piano Competition of Ile-de-France will be held from 4 to 11 June 2022 in Maisons-Laffitte (Yvelines - France). This prestigious yearly event welcomes 230 candidates from the world's leading music schools. Anne Queffélec, Honorary President, the town of Maisons-Laffitte and numerous partnerships support the Opus Yvelines association, organiser of the competition.*

*Registration deadline: 23 April 2022.*

### **An international competition open to all**

With 15 progressive levels, the competition is open to all pianists, from beginners to advanced (the three cycles of the French conservatory, *Superior and Excellence*), but also to adult *Amateurs at Concert level*. The *Concert Diploma* category is restricted to professional pianists only. They are given the opportunity to perform in public and to obtain the opinion of an international jury. The competition is a genuine stepping stone in the artistic progression of this new generation.

### **Abdel Rahman El Bacha, President of the Jury**

The jury of the Competition is composed of international musicians. The jury for the *Concert Pianist* category is chaired by Abdel Rahman El Bacha (Lebanon), and includes Pascal Amoyel (France), Momo Kodama (Japan), Ronan Magill (Great Britain) and Elena Rozanova (Russia). Jury members for the other competition levels are: Paul Blacher (France), Gaspard Dehaene (France), Edda Erlendsdóttir (Iceland), Sayaka Funakoshi (Japan), Anne Lebozec (France), Xenia Maliarevitch (Russia), Isabelle Oehmichen (France), Paolo Rigutto (France), Fernando Rossano (France/Italy), Chantal Stigliani (France) and Gabriella Torma (Hungary).

### **Prize money of 11,000 euros, 16 recitals, masterclass, workshop...**

In each category, the winner will be awarded a prize. The total prize money amounts to 11,000 euros, plus 16 recitals (Paris, Maisons-Laffitte, Mesnil-le-Roi, Croissy-Sur-Seine, Tremblay-en-France, Lyon, Toulouse, Pamiers, Nohant, Paraza), a workshop in Budapest, masterclasses and a musical afternoon in Paris.

### **General information**

**Registration deadline: 23 April 2022** (accommodation with host families possible except for Cycles and Amateurs). For detailed information and registration: <http://concoursdepiano.com>