



Western Music

Don Wright Faculty of Music

Western University Maritsa Brookes Concerto Competition 2019-2020

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Important Dates

Deadline to submit online application	November 28, 2019
Deadline to submit video recording (voice)	January 6, 2020
Deadline to submit video recording (piano)	January 6, 2020
Audition (strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion)	January 7, 2020
Final Round	January 11, 2020

Eligibility

Candidates must be full-time registered students in the DWFOM for 2019-2020; currently registered in applied music; and, intend to be registered students during 2020-2021. DMA students are not eligible. This competition is open to all instruments.

Selection Process and Repertoire

The Concerto Competition consists of a preliminary round and a final round. Music should be selected from the concerto repertoire, i.e. solo instrument and orchestra, or solo voice and orchestra. Repertoire should be selected in consultation with the applied studio professor and the Symphony Orchestra directors. Candidates must contact the Symphony Orchestra directors via email to confirm that their repertoire selection is approved before they submit their online application. Failure to consult the Symphony Orchestra directors on the proposed repertoire may result in a change of repertoire for the winner(s) at the time of performance.

1. Preliminary Round

Students must complete the online application and submit it no later than November 28, 2019, 12 p.m. The Academic Departments & Student Services Office (TC 210) is available to assist students throughout the process. The divisional requirements for the preliminary round are as follows:

Divisions	Voice	Piano	Strings	Woodwinds/Brass/Percussion
Format	Video recording	Video recording	Live audition	Live audition
Date	Due January 6, 2020, by 4 p.m., submitted to music-tech@uwo.ca	Due January 6, 2020, by 4 p.m., submitted to music-tech@uwo.ca	January 7, 2020, (8 p.m.-10 p.m.) in vKH; sign-up no later than 12 p.m., November 28, 2019, on MPS board	January 7, 2020, (6 p.m.-8 p.m.) in VKH; sign-up no later than 12 p.m., November 28, 2019, on MPS board
Repertoire (length)	10-15 minutes of candidate's choice	10-15 minutes of candidate's choice	10-15 minutes of candidate's choice	10-15 minutes of candidate's choice
Memory	Required	Required	Required	Not required

- Dates have been reserved in von Kuster Hall for voice and piano applicants to book a recording time (at no cost to the applicant). All recording dates and information are listed under "Preliminary Round Recording Information." The sign-up sheet for recording timeslots will be posted on the Music Performance Studies board across from the Music Library in Talbot College (2nd floor). **The deadline to sign up for a recording is Friday, November 8, 2019.**

From the recordings (voice and piano) and live auditions (strings, woodwinds, brass, and percussion), the jurors will select a maximum of four (4) students, from each of the four divisions, who will advance to the final round.

2. Final Round

The Final Round will take place on Saturday, January 11, 2020, at 12 p.m. in von Kuster Hall (open to the public). Each finalist will play 10-15 minutes of their choice from their selected work. The jurors for the Final Round will be the MPS Department Chair and four external judges.

Winners Information

The winners of the Western University Maritsa Brookes Concerto Competition 2019-2020 will be announced at the end of the Final Round.

First place winner will be invited to perform his/her selected work in the 2020-2021 academic year with the Western University Symphony Orchestra. The winner must be registered as a student in the Don Wright Faculty of Music in 2019-2020 and also intend to be a registered student during 2020-2021. In addition, the winner will receive a monetary award of \$2,000 to be received in the fall, following the competition.

Second place winner will receive an honourable mention as runner-up, receive a monetary award of \$1,500, and may be offered performance or rehearsal opportunities with a Western University ensemble in the 2020-2021 academic year.

Third place winner will receive an honourable mention as runner-up, receive a monetary award of \$1,000, and may be offered performance or rehearsal opportunities with a Western University ensemble in the 2020-2021 academic year.

Rules and Conditions

1. Eligible pieces are all works composed for solo instrument and orchestra, or solo voice and orchestra, with performance materials available, and instrumentation no larger than that of the Western University Symphony Orchestra.
2. No operatic repertoire for voice applicants.
3. Selections must be performed from memory (voice, piano, and strings only).
4. Only unedited recordings can be accepted for the preliminary round.
5. Recordings must be between 10-15 minutes.
6. Any recordings of the prize round are considered the property of the Don Wright Faculty of Music.

Preliminary Round Recording Information

Twenty-minute time slots will be available to applicants on the dates below. Applicants who wish to use this service must request it on the Application Form and sign-up for a date and time on the Music Performance Studies board across from the Music Library in Talbot College (2nd floor). Time slots are available on a first-come-first-serve basis. **The deadline to sign up for a recording is Friday, November 8, 2019.**

November 13, 2019 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

November 14, 2019 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

November 18, 2019 (1:30-3:30 p.m.)

Applicants can arrange to produce their own recordings in a different venue using their own equipment. Should this option be selected, please submit your recording via a cloud-based storage (e.g., Dropbox, Google Drive, etc.) to music-tech@uwo.ca with subject line "Concerto Competition." The deadline for submitting these materials is no later than **January 6, 2020, at 4 p.m.** It is strongly recommended that applicants take advantage of the opportunity to use the professional equipment and venue offered in von Kuster Hall on the above dates.