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VLAMO COMPOSITION CONTEST FOR WIND BAND 2024

Contest objectives

- To enlarge the **repertoire for wind bands** in 3th and 2nd division (grade 2-2,5).
- To stimulate composers to write pieces for **this degree of difficulty**.
- To contribute to the composers' and performers' **international recognition**.

Content and timing

VLAMO organizes an international composition contest for wind band, with a timing as follows:

- **December 1st 2024:** deadline to submit the composition (time of e-mail transmission counts).
- **December 15th 2024:** a jury of composers will judge the works. The announcement of the laureates will take place before the end of 2024.
- The winning works will be performed at a later date.

Prizes

There are two (2) prizes:

- Prize for the best work in 3th division (grade 2): 2000 euro
- Prize for the best work in 2nd division (grade 2,5): 2000 euro

Rules

- Composers from all over the world are invited to compete in the contest. There is no age limit.
- The composition must be written for **wind band** (instrumentation: see below). The composer **must use the enclosed template**. Submissions that deviate from this will not be judged.

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- The composition's degree of difficulty is not higher than grade 2 (third division) or grade 2,5 (second division).
- The duration of the composition should be at least 6 minutes and no longer than 8 minutes. **The duration must be clearly indicated in the score.**
- The submitted work is a **stand-alone composition**. Parts of a larger work (like a symphony or a suite) are not accepted.
- The submitted work has to be **new and original**. Arrangements or re-orchestrations of existing compositions are not allowed.
- Until the proclamation (= end of the contest), submitted works must meet the following criteria:
 - the composition has **not** been published;
 - the composition has **not** been performed during a public concert or broadcasted on any media;
 - the composition has **never** received an award or a mention during another national or international composition contest.
- Participants must submit all documents **digitally** by e-mail to dirk@vlamo.be
 - Scores are provided as **pdf** files. The scores (score and parts) must contain a **code word and/or title** chosen by the composer. The scores may not contain any information that can identify the composer.
 - The correctly completed registration form with the signed authenticity statement, a resume and a recent photograph must be enclosed as a **separate** attachment.
- A professional jury will judge all submissions.
- The jury can decide not to award all of the prizes if the required level is not reached.
- The jury's decision cannot be appealed.
- If the award-winning composers want to publish their work, the score should mention the following: "winner of the VLAMO International Composition Contest 2024 (Belgium)".
- By participating, the participant accepts the conditions of the competition.

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