



Associazione "Il Classico Musica e Arte"

ANNOUNCE

2° MILANO INTERNATIONAL CELLO COMPETITION

22nd and 23rd of February 2025

First Round: 22nd February in Associazione IIClassico Musica e Arte
(Milano)

Final Round: 23rd February in Teatro Civico "Da Silva" in Rho (Milano)

CHAIRMAN

ROBERT COHEN: World renowned cello soloist, teacher, pedagogue. Professor at Royal Academy of Music in London

BOARD OF EXAMINERS

KEREM BRERA: Artistic director of MICC Competition

Cellist and teacher. Professor at Lugano Conservatory (Switzerland)

TAISUKE YAMASHITA: Cellist, teacher, former principal cello at OSI, Orchestra della Svizzera italiana

XU ZHEN: Violin soloist, teacher, president of Ebano Culture Media Co., Ltd. Shanghai

REGULATION AND CATEGORIES

A Category: < 11 years old (born not before 22nd February 2014)

B Category: 11 - 16 years old (born not after 22nd February 2014 and not before 22nd February 2009)

C Category: 16+ (born before 22nd February 2009) or in possess of certified graduate

REPERTOIRE AND DURATION

FIRST ROUND

A Category: free repertoire up to 5 minutes (**only one round**)

B Category: free repertoire including a Prelude from Bach's cello suites 1-6 up to 8 minutes

C Category: free repertoire including Prelude from Bach's cello suites 1-6 and 1° movement of a cello concerto. Max 15 minutes

SECOND ROUND

B Category: Free repertoire, excluding pieces played in the first round

C Category: First movement from a concerto for cello and orchestra (piano reduction)

The repertoire have to be different between the semi-final and the final.

The first round will hold at Associazione “IlClassico Musica e Arte” in Milano, Via Giuseppe Meda 45, on the 22nd of February 2025 from 8 am to 8 pm.

Candidates will be called according to a precise timetable that will be sent via E-mail to each candidate.

The second round will hold in Teatro Civico “Da Silva” in Rho (Milano) on the 23rd of February 2025 from 10 am to 11pm.

Timetable will be communicated to each candidate selected for the second round. The second round is open to audience.

Piano accompanists for all rounds will be provided by Associazione IlClassico Musica e Arte.

PRICES

- First price: 1.000,00 €
- Second price: 600,00 €
- Third price: 300,00 €

The prices are only for the overall winners.

In case of ex-aequo winners the amount of the price will be shared between winners.

Winners and some selected candidates will have the opportunity to request a masterclass with Maestro Robert Cohen.

Each candidate will receive a certificate of participation.

APPLICATION

Application forms must be sent **not after 10th of February 2025**.

Application form has to be filled with the following informations:

- Name
- Surname
- Date of Birth
- ID or passport
- E-mail address or phone number
- Repertoire

For under 18 years old candidates. one of the parent's data must be added.

Personal data will be treated according to current EU legislation ([https://commission.europa.eu/law/law-topic/data-protection-eu it](https://commission.europa.eu/law/law-topic/data-protection-eu-it))

APPLICATION FEES

The application fee is **80,00 €**

- 60 € = application fee
- 20 € = association fee (membership fee)

Membership fee is mandatory for all candidates, only those who are already members of the IlClassico Associazione Musica e Arte are exempt from payment.

The payment must be done via Bank Transfer to:

ASSOCIAZIONE IL CLASSICO MUSICA E ARTE

Iban: IT26K 03069 09606 1000 0040 4210

BIC/SWIFT: BCITITMMXXX

The candidate's name, surname and the category must be specified in the payment reason (causale di pagamento).