



PFMC FESTIVALS COMPETITIONS 2025

Saturday, April 12th Regional Semi-Finals

Saturday, April 26th State Finals and awards

To: Junior Studios Who Participate in PFMC Festivals

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The PFMC is a music organization that is just over 100 years old. Our purpose is to promote American composers and encourage American musicians to reach their highest potential. PFMC is federated through the National Federation of Music Clubs, the largest philanthropic, non-profit music organization in the United States.

The PFMC Festivals Competition is open to Juniors (through age 18) who participate in the 2024 Festivals and meet all requirements listed below. The purpose of this competition is to offer Festival entrants the opportunity to take their music to the next level and compete for money awards. Our goal has been to see this program expand each year to include more events and host the State Competition in central location in PA. This year the East, Central, and West Regional winners will compete in Williamsport, PA. on Saturday, April 26th.

Requirements to participate:

- 1. Entrants must participate in the 2025 Festivals- Piano Solo Event or Concerto.**
- 2. Concerto performers who receive a Superior rating at Festival do not compete at Regional Semi-Finals, but will be invited to compete at the State Final in Williamsport.**
- 3. 2025 Festivals Competition limited to Piano Solo - Medium Level and Higher.**
- 4. Entrants play their Required Piece (listed in the Federation Festivals Bulletin) used for the 2025 Festivals.**
- 5. Rating for 2025 Festivals Piano Event must be SUPERIOR Rating.**
- 6. Applications must be submitted by April 5th – may be scanned that day**
- 7. Application Fee - \$35. This fee is in addition to any other Festivals Fees and non-refundable.**
- 8. A *COPY* of judging sheets and a *COPY* of the 5x7" PFMC state certificate must be included with application.**

(Be certain to keep the original documents.)

Read on to see the awards to be given at the State Final Competition.

Awards given at State Festivals Competition include:

Concerto Junior - \$100 plus trophy

Concerto Senior - \$100 plus trophy

10 piano solo class winners - @\$100 plus trophy –class Med. thru MA II

Memorial Award - Best Overall (Medium class -Mod. Difficult 3) \$100 plus plaque

Memorial Award -Best Overall (Difficult 1 class -MA II) \$100 plus plaque

President's Award Outstanding Performance Overall Concerto - \$250 plus plaque

(may be a combination of Jr. & Sr.)

President's Award Solo Piano - \$250 plus plaque

(Overall, excellence in performance)

Grand Champion Aikens/Cadman or Suzanne & Paul Anderson Memorial Award

- \$500 plus Plaque

(Overall Best of Performance for the day)