



Byron Hester Solo Flute Competition Official Rules

Houston Flute Club Flute Fest, Houston, TX

April 25, 2020

West University Baptist Church, 6218 Auden Street, Houston TX 77005

**Preliminary Round - Recorded Entries
must be submitted online 11:59 PM on Sunday, February 16, 2020.**

Create an .mp3 file of the following required pieces:

1. **Paganini: Caprice #5 from 24 Caprices, Op. 1 for Flute Solo (International)**
To be recorded with repeat.
2. **K. Hoover: To Greet The Sun (Papagena Press)**
To be recorded without interruption.
3. Editing of the recording is strictly prohibited. It is recommended that each piece be recorded in the same room with the same recording equipment and recording conditions.
4. No speaking or identification of the performer of any kind should be on the recording. Any speaking or identification will result in the contestant being disqualified.
5. All recordings will be coded and sent to the judges without identification to protect the anonymity of the performer.
6. All recordings become the property of the Houston Flute Club.
7. Recordings must be submitted online with the completed application form. Incomplete entries will not be judged.
8. A non-refundable **audition fee of \$55** must be submitted online with your application. No application will be regarded without receiving this payment. If you cannot pay via PayPal, you may contact the competition coordinator at the email address below to make other payment arrangements. Contestant will be disqualified if payment is not received by Sunday, February 16, 2020.
9. Completed entry form, audition fee, and .mp3 file must be submitted online by **11:59 PM on February 16, 2020.**
10. This competition is open to all flutists. NO AGE LIMIT.
11. The list of finalists will be emailed to all applicants by Sunday, March 22, 2020. **No judges' comments will be available.**

Final Round

- 1. Final Round - Live Competition – April 25, 2020 at West University Baptist Church, 6218 Auden Street, Houston TX 77005**
- Perform a public recital for judges at the April 25, 2020 Houston Flute Club Flute Fest. Performance will consist of the following two works to be performed in any order:
***K. Hoover: To Greet The Sun (Papagena Press)**
***One or more movements from a piece of the contestant's choice for flute and piano not to exceed ten minutes. If requested, contestant to provide one copy of their score for the judges.**
- Contestants are bound to their chosen final round repertoire. No changes are permitted.
- Finalists will provide their own transportation to Houston and will provide their own accompanist at their expense. An accompanist can be provided for the performer for an **additional fee of \$105**. The \$105 payment for the HFC pianist must be submitted via PayPal upon confirmation of participation in the Final Round. Payment for the HFC accompanist is nonrefundable.
- Finalists have until March 28, 2020 to confirm participation in the Final Round.

Awards

- The first place winner will receive a cash prize of \$1500 and will be invited to perform at the Houston Flute Club's Flute Fest in 2021.
- At the recommendation of the judges, the HFC reserves the right to not select a winner.
- All judges' decisions are final.

Application and more information are available at:

www.HoustonFluteClub.org

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