

SLOVAKIA CANTAT 2012

VI. International Choir and Folksong Choir Festival

26 – 29 April 2012

BRATISLAVA, SLOVAKIA

Dear lover of choral music, We would like to invite you to participate in the **VI. International Festival SLOVAKIA CANTAT 2012** to be held in Bratislava from **26 to 29 April 2012**. We are inviting choirs from all over the world; your songs and performances will contribute to a truly spring atmosphere in Bratislava. The festival will be managed by the Bratislava Music Agency, under the auspices of the city of Bratislava. Choirs can join the festival either as **non-competing choirs** participating in all performances of the festival, or as **competing choirs**. **APPLICATION DEADLINE : DECEMBER 15, 2011.**

COMPETITION CATEGORIES:

- A1: Children's choirs up to 6 years**
- A2: Children's choirs up to 8 years**
- A3: Children's choirs up to 12 years**
- A4: Children's choirs up to 16 years**
- B1: Boys' choirs (soprano, alto)**
- B2: Boys' choirs (soprano, alto, tenor, bass)**
- C1: Youth choirs up to 21 years (soprano, alto)**
- C2: Youth choirs up to 21 years (soprano, alto, tenor, bass)**
- D1: Adult choirs – men**
- D2: Adult choirs – women**
- D3: Adult choirs – mixed**
- E1: Vocal ensembles**
- E2: Adult chamber choirs 8- 22 singers (men's, women's, mixed)**
- F1: Folksong a cappella – choirs**
- F2: Folksong with instrumental accompaniment – choirs**
- F3: Folk music instrumental ensembles**
- F4: Folksong a cappella – folklore groups**
- F5: Folksong with instrumental accompaniment – folklore groups**
- G: Spiritual, gospel a cappella**
- H: Musica Sacra a cappella**
- I: Renaissance and baroque music (at least 16 singers)**
- J: Contemporary music, a work by a composer born after 1950**
- K: Musical theatre**
- L: Orthodox Church Music**
- X: Non-competing choirs**

REGISTRATION FEE: The registration fee for 1 contest category is 200 EUR, each further contest category is 150 EUR.

Participation in the festival as non-competitive choir is 100 EUR.

DIPLOMAS

According to the number of acquired points, the international jury will award

Bronze certificate 15 - 19,99 points

Silver certificate 20 - 24,99 points

Gold certificate 25 - 29,99 points

Grand Prix SLOVAKIA CANTAT According to jury's decision, min. 27 points

COMPETITION RULES

- ◆ One piece in the programme must be a cappella. The others can be with piano. Time limit is 15 min music time.
- ◆ Each choir will receive a diploma certifying the results. The jury may award some other special prizes; for instance for programme arrangement, voice production or original interpretation...
- ◆ The jury shall not issue any other written evaluation of a choir's performance. Jury's decisions are final, no appeals can be made.
- ◆ The registration fee is not paid back in case of cancellation of the application.

FESTIVAL PROGRAMME

THURSDAY, 26 APRIL 2012

Arrival of foreign choirs

Festival opening concert

FRIDAY, 27 APRIL 2012

9 am – 4.30 pm Competition SLOVAKIA CANTAT 2012(for all categories).

Morning guided city tour , Choir seminars, Festival concerts

SATURDAY, 28 APRIL 2012

9 am – 4.30 pm Competition SLOVAKIA CANTAT 2012 (for all categories)

7 pm Competition results announcement and final gala concert

9 pm Dinner reception for conductors and group leaders

SUNDAY, 29 APRIL 2012

Participation of choirs in Holy Masses

Departure from Bratislava

Choir Performances during the festival:

- ◆ A) 20 minutes of secular or folk music, ◆ B) 20 minute sacred program.◆ C) Competition performance. The organizer reserves the right to use video and sound records from the festival.

ACCOMMODATION AND CATERING:

Each choir including the conductor, accompanying persons and bus drivers shall pay their own travel expenses, expenses on accommodation and food.

Package:	1	2	3	4
Hotel Category	Hostel	Hotel **	Hotel ***	Hotel ***
Price	135 EUR	145 EUR	199EUR	220EUR

The package price includes:

- 3x night and breakfast in hotel
- guidance during the whole stay • Bratislava sightseeing tour
- opening concert for participants • public concert performance for participating choirs
- final ceremony with cultural programme • information material

Package 1 - Hostel

3x night/breakfast, 4-bed rooms, common bathrooms, Hostel. (additional fee of 35 EUR for a single room)

Package 2 Hotel **

3x night/breakfast in two star hotels - 2 rooms with a shared bathroom, WC, 2-3 beds/ (additional fee for a single room)

Package 3 Hotel ***

3x night/breakfast in twin bed rooms in a *** hotel (additional fee of 60 EUR for a single room)

Package4 Hotel * in Bratislava city centre**

3x night/breakfast in twin bed rooms in a *** hotel /additional fee of 101 EUR for a single room/

The organizer shall reserve the right to arrange accommodation and catering of the participating choirs.

The application shall be enclosed with the following:

- ◆ Complete application form
- ◆ Competition programme (name of the composition, composer full name, length of the compositions)
- ◆ Sound record of the choir not older than 3 years (CD, DVD, MP3, tape)
- ◆ Choirs and conductor description (10 lines)
- ◆ picture of the choir and conductor
- ◆ music scores of the competition compositions in 3 copies
- ◆ A copy of money order or bank transfer confirming payment of the festival fee.

Music Festival Calendar

Choirs & Orchestras 2012 – 2013

BRATISLAVA - SLOVAKIA

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Bratislava, Slovakia 26 – 29 April 2012

Bratislava, Slovakia 25 – 28 April 2013

Competition, workshop, concerts in Bratislava

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MUSICA SACRA BRATISLAVA

International Sacred Music Festival

Bratislava, Slovakia 14 – 17 June 2012

Bratislava, Slovakia 13 – 16 June 2013

Competition, workshop, concerts in Bratislava churches

www.choral-music.sk

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MUSIC FESTIVAL

Competition for Children's – Youth choirs, Orchestras, Band

Bratislava, Slovakia 6 – 9 July 2012

Bratislava, Slovakia 7 – 10 July 2013

Competition, workshop, concerts in Bratislava

www.choral-music.sk

International Gregorian chant Festival

International Sacred Music Festival

Bratislava, Slovakia 25 – 28 October 2012

Concerts in Bratislava

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International Festival of Advent and Christmas Music

Bratislava, Slovakia, 1 – 4 December 2011

Bratislava, Slovakia, 6 – 9 December 2012

Bratislava, Slovakia, 5 – 8 December 2013

Competition, workshop, concerts in Bratislava

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