

Gifted Youth USA Flute Competition 2025

About the Competition

The Gifted Youth USA Flute Competition was created to redefine excellence in student music competitions-bridging a critical gap often overlooked in traditional contests.

Too often, young flutists compete across unequal categories, where age, skill level, and repertoire differences create an uneven playing field.

This competition is different.

Founded by renowned professional flutists and esteemed educators, this prestigious event is designed to:

- Ensure Fair & Precise Judging
- Set a New Standard of Excellence
- Provide Unparalleled Performance Opportunities

Eligibility

Open to high school students (grades 9-12) and recent high school graduates.

Age limit: 20 years old on or before June 1, 2025.

Categories

Classical Concerto (Solo): Perform the 1st movement (no repeats) of a concerto by an approved composer.

1st Prize: \$1,000 + performance opportunity with orchestra (early fall 2025).

2nd & 3rd Prizes: Certificates, Masterclass, or Special Recognition Awards.

Approved composers:

- Baroque: Johann Joachim Quantz, Johann Sebastian Bach, Carl Philipp Emanuel Bach, Antonio Vivaldi
- Classical: Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart, Franz Xaver Richter, François Devienne, Carl Stamitz
- Romantic: Saverio Mercadante, Luigi Boccherini, Anton Reicha, Friedrich Kuhlau, Carl Reinecke, Otar Gordeli, Gabriel Fauré, Charles Tomlinson Griffes, Cécile Chaminade, Albert Franz Doppler, Georges Hüe, Anders Emil Hansen

Ensemble of 3+: At least 3 students (one must be flute), max 7 minutes. Any instrumentation allowed.

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\$1,000 prize fund distributed at judges' discretion.

Application Process

Applications must be submitted through the online form linked on the website.

Required: Student name, teacher info, piece & timing, accompanist name, and PDF score.

Entry Fees

Solo Entry: \$85

Ensemble Entry: \$35 per student

Fees support prizes, judges, venue, and production.

General Guidelines

Performances are live and open to the public.

Time slots will be shared after the deadline.

Solo performances must be from memory.

Bring your own accompanist if required.

Final Notes

All judging decisions are final.

No disputes or appeals will be accepted.

By applying, participants agree to all rules and terms.

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