

## CHOPIN 200 – COMPETITION AND FESTIVAL

Celebrating the 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Composer's Birth

### Rules, Format And Procedures

- I. Contestants will be chosen through a screening audition, either live at Meredith College or via DVD. From this preliminary screening, a number of qualified applicants will be invited to compete on campus on Tuesday, February 23, 2010.
- II. All DVD auditions must be postmarked by Monday, January 18, 2010. All live auditions will take place on January 21-23, 2010.
- III. All applicants will be notified of their standing by Wednesday, January 27, 2010.
- IV. Semi-final and Final rounds of the competition will take place on Tuesday, February 23, 2010.
- V. Contestants must provide the judges with one original copy of the score(s) to be performed. No photocopies allowed.
- VI. Contestants will perform in the morning of February 23, 2010 in a closed, semi-final round on the Meredith College campus, judged by Meredith College piano faculty. A maximum of 20 contestants will be chosen to perform in the final round, held after lunch, which will be judged by Ann Schein and Walter Hautzig in Carswell Recital Hall.
- VII. The final round will be open to the public, with tickets available at the door.
- VIII. Decisions of the judges **in all competition rounds** are final.
- IX. The winners will be announced and prizes awarded at the conclusion of the final round.
- X. The non-refundable application fee of \$50 entitles all applicants to free admission at all Chopin Festival events. See web for details [www.meredith.edu/music/chopin](http://www.meredith.edu/music/chopin)
- XI. All applicants who attend the Chopin Competition and Festival may request a complimentary lesson with a member of Meredith College's award-winning piano faculty during the week of the Chopin Festival.
- XII. Applicants are responsible for all personal and travel expenses related to the Competition.
- XIII. Practice facilities will be made available to all contestants.
- XIV. Cash Prizes will be as follows: First prize: \$2,000; Second prize: \$1,000; Third prize: \$750.  
*Meredith College Department of Music Tuition Grants are also available for competitors who are academically qualified.*
- XV. The Chopin Competition final round will follow a recital format, with live audience in attendance. The event will be open to the public. Tickets will be available for purchase at the door on the day of the Competition.

For more information, contact competition coordinator, Dr. Karen Allred at [allredk@meredith.edu](mailto:allredk@meredith.edu).