

14TH INTERNATIONAL FRYDERYK CHOPIN PIANO COMPETITION IN MARIÁNSKÉ LÁZNĚ

Czech Republic 12-15 August 2025

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Competition Date and Time

The 14th International Fryderyk Chopin Piano Competition will take place between 12–15 August 2025

Organiser

The competition is organized by the Fryderyk Chopin Organisation in the Czech Republic and the town of Mariánské Lázně.

Categories

The competition is divided into two categories:

I. participants up to 19 years of age (born on 15 August 2006 and later)

II. participants up to 30 years of age (born on 15 August 1995 and later)

Competition Scoring

The competition scoring is open to public. Complete results, including the scoring of each member of the jury, will be published after each round.

Practice

Participants will be able to use pianos to practice on.

Application and Registration Fee

The completed application forms together with attachments are to be sent by the participants by **15 May 2025** at the latest to the following address:

Sekretariát soutěže Fryderyka Chopina

Hlavní 47, 353 01 Mariánské Lázně, CZECH REPUBLIC

or by email on: info@chopinfestival.cz

Attachments: a) Proof of payment of the registration fee

b) Two photographs, size 9 x 13 cm or at least 1–2 MB

c) Brief CV

d) Copy of ID card or passport

The organiser shall confirm the receipt of the application and announce the exact date of the presentation by 15 June 2025

Registration fees:

CATEGORY I: EUR 40 / CZK 1,000 CATEGORY II: EUR 80 / CZK 2,000

This fee is to be paid to the account No. 8863420277/0100 (Komerční banka Mariánské Lázně, swift KOMBCZPPXXX, IBAN CZ160100000008863420277).

When paying the registration fee, Czech participants shall use their birth certificate number and foreign participants their passport number as a variable symbol.

Accommodation and Travel Expenses

The organiser shall provide accommodation at its own expenses for the entire duration of the participation of the candidate in the competition.

Travel expenses are to be paid by the participants.

COMPETITION PROGRAMME



Tuesday 12 August 2025 Arrival, registration, drawing of category II

Wednesday 13 August 2025 1st round of category II, arrival and drawing of category I Thursday 14 August 2025 2nd round of category II, arrival and drawing of category I

Friday 15 August 2025 category I, Concert of laureates, announcement of winners, awarding

of prizes and diplomas

All pieces of the competition repertoire must be played from memory. Participants are to perform the following pieces by Fryderyk Chopin:

Category I

Participants up to 19 years of age (born on 15 August 2006 and later)

Free choice of F. Chopin's compositions, 20 minutes in total. The duration of the programme may be shorter/longer by no more than 2 minutes. It must not include individual sonata movements.

Category II

Participants up to 30 years of age (born on 15 August 1995 and later)

2 competition rounds

1st round:

- a) One Nocturne
- b) 1 ballade or scherzo

c/ 2 etudes from Op. 10 and/or 25 – with the exception of Op. 10 No. 3, Op. 10 No. 6, and Op. 25 No. 7

The order of the pieces is up to the participant; however, the etudes are to be played in succession.

2nd round

Recital of pieces by F. Chopin, 30–35 minutes. The programme must not include compositions presented in the 1st round.

Difficulty of the pieces and dramaturgy of the repertoire will be judged along with other criteria.



COMPETITION PRIZES

Category I

1st prize CZK 5,000 2nd prize 3rd prize CZK 3,000

CZK 2.000

Category II

1st prize CZK 30,000 2nd prize CZK 20,000 3rd prize CZK 10,000

Special prizes for the winners

- Recital at the Chopin Festival 2026
- Recital in Żelazowa Wola
- A five-day study stay with masterclasses in Warsaw

Prize winners who fail to participate in the concert of laureates (15 August 2025) will not receive the financial award.

The jury has the right not to award any of the prizes.

If several identical prizes are awarded in the same category, the jury has the right to combine the financial amount determined for the respective category and distribute thereof in a way to respect the competition result. The jury's decision is final.

JURY

The jury of the 14th International Fryderyk Chopin Piano Competition is made up of distinguished pianists and piano teachers from the Czech Republic and abroad. The chairman of the jury is prof. Ivan Klánský.

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APPLICATION

Surname		Name
Date and place of birth		Nationality
Permanent ac	ddress	
Email		
Telephone, in	cluding area code	
Current schoo	ol / employment	
Programme ((if applying for category I, please, t	fill in the 1 st round only)
1 ST ROUND		
2 ND ROUND		
Deadline for	submitting applications: 15 May 2	025
Date		
Signature		