

The Dutch International Flute Competition for Students and Young Talents

The Dutch International Piccolo Competition for Students

The corona edition in 2021

Information as of December 24, 2020

Dear participants,

Last spring we had to postpone the Dutch International Flute Competition due to covid-19. You indicated that you want to keep your application for the competition of 2021. In 2021 we are all still dealing with the restrictions because of covid-19. We would like to have the competition take place. However we shall have to reduce the size of the upcoming competition.

This e-mail informs you about the **changes** for the next competition.

The preliminary rounds will take place in the spring of 2021. Due to expected travel restrictions in the spring of 2021, the final rounds will be postponed till the fall of 2021.

The **preliminary rounds** will be held online: all participants will have the opportunity to submit their video recordings till **May 1st**. E-mail a link of your video recording to secretaryflutecompetition@gmail.com. The international jury will judge the video recordings with a points system. The total score determines who will go on to the final round. On the website of the Dutch International Flute Competition you will find the names of the members of the juries for the preliminary rounds.

The submitted video recordings will be placed on the YouTube Channel of Fluitconcours, unless you indicated on application that you do not agree with our public use of your video recordings. In that case, please let us know whether or not you will stick to your refusal.

On **June 6th** all participants will receive an e-mail whether or not (s)he will be playing in the final round. The live final round will be held at the Adams Music Centre in Ittervoort, the Netherlands. We follow the covid-19 guidelines of the Dutch government and adjust the organization of the final rounds accordingly.

The final round for bachelors and masters will be held on **October 22nd 2021**. The final round for young talents and piccoloists will be held on the **October 23rd 2021**. The finalists will play in the same category as they played in the preliminary round, even if they have moved up in age, for young talents, or level.

In the final round contestants will play with their own pianist or with a competition pianist/percussionist. In 2021 it is not possible to play with orchestra. That is why the semi-final round has been cancelled. The list with obligatory compositions has been altered. Bachelor finalists and master finalists will be playing a solo piece from the list of optional pieces and an obligatory piece for flute and piano. No alterations in the lists of

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obligatory and optional compositions occur for young talents and piccoloists. These lists are to be found on the website of the Dutch International Flute Competition, www.flutecompetition.com.

Bachelor and master participants will rehearse with the competition pianist on October 21st 2021.

Young talents will rehearse with the competition pianist on October 22nd 2021.

Piccoloists will rehearse with the competition **percussionist** on October 22nd 2021.

Participants of the preliminary rounds, who have paid for the competition pianist, will be refunded.

Although you are still registered as a contestant of the flute competition 2021 and because of the alterations of the competition regulations, you may still withdraw from the competition 2021. If so, please let us know before **February 15th 2021**. Send your withdrawal notification to: secretaryflutecompetition@gmail.com In that case your downpayment will be refunded to you.

In case you have to alter the category for which you applied in 2020, please let us know before February 15th 2021. For the category in which you will play, your age or level of study (bachelor or master) on February 15th is decisive.

Due to all the uncertainties regarding covid-19 measures, the **Adams Flute Festival** is cancelled. Because there will be no Adams Flute Festival, the majority of our sponsors will not contribute to the flute competition, neither in money nor with instruments. Consequently most prizes will consist of vouchers of the Amdams European Flute Centre. We will make a special effort to make instruments available as prizes. We will keep you posted on this matter on our website.

For halfboard (breakfast and evening dinner) and lodgings the Bekerhof will be opened from 2021 20th of October through October 24th 2021. Take away lunches will be possible. The group accommodation will be equipped according to the then current covid measures.

Participants who play in the preliminary rounds only and have paid for the group accommodation, will be refunded.

The board of the Dutch International Flute Competition follow the covid-19 guidelines of the Dutch government. For the most recent measures: <https://www.rivm.nl/en/novel-coronavirus-covid-19/work-and-leisure/generic-framework-for-coronavirus-measures> The board does not accept any liability for the consequences of these adjustments to our participants, our volunteers and/or our judges.

We do hope that inspite of all the covid-19 restrictions you will all be practising enthusiastically. After the covid-19 crisis new perspectives will open up for a career as a flutist. This is for us the main reason to proceed with the 2021 competition! Together we will make a good competition, in spite of covid restrictions.

We look forward to your video recordings.

Kind regards,

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