

Rules of the Tapiola Choir International SSA Choral Composition Competition 2024

1. Organizer

The organizer of the competition is Tapiola Choir (Tapiolan kuoron kannatusyhdistys ry).

2. Participation

The competition is open for all nationalities regardless of the applicant's age. The number of submissions is not limited. Each submission needs to be marked with an alias. Further info regarding the contact info should be attached to the submission email, including the full name, email and phone number of the composer. The information about applicant's contact details is only visible to the organizer.

3. Submission

The submission happens via email to <u>competition@tapiolankuoro.fi</u>. The email should include the applicant's full name, email and phone number as well as the submission in pdf-format and the CV of the applicant. Entry to the competition closes on the 6th of January 2024 at 11.59 p.m. (UTC+2, local Finnish time). Any applications submitted after this will not be taken into consideration.

4. Requirements

The category of the competition is SSA+divisions, a cappella. The piece needs to be performable for young singers. The composition must be previously unperformed as well as unpublished and its duration must be between 2 and 4 minutes. For award-winning works, a publication contract is available at the choralworks.fi distribution service for pdf choral sheet music.

5. Timeline

The jury will deliberate on the works during January 2024. The composer is responsible for collating the rehearsal and performance materials. The practice material handed out should also include an alias of the composer. The Tapiola Choir will begin to work with these pieces in the beginning of February 2024, by which time the rehearsal material must be complete and available. The winners awarded and the winning compositions will be performed in June 2024 at the Tapiola Choir Summer Summit Festival. The organizers will not cover any accommodation or travelling expenses of the competitors.

6. Prizes

A total of €3,000 will be awarded at the discretion of the jury. The jury also reserves the right to not to distribute prizes.

7. Jury

The jury consists of four members: Choral director and artistic director of Tapiola Choir, Pasi Hyökki, choral director Kaija Viitasalo (KYN Female Choir), choral director Anna Sandström (Candomini Children's Choir and Galante Youth Choir) and composer Juuso Vanonen.

8. Other info

The organizer of the competition reserves the rights for the first performances of the awarded competition pieces until 30.6.2025. The organizers will have the right to record, video, televise, photograph, and broadcast the award ceremony.