Competition details

STRING COMPETITION – FERMATA

The competition is announced for the disciplines VIOLIN, VIOLA, CELLO and CONTRABASS, which will compete together within the same category.

The competition is scheduled to take place between November 26th and November 29nd 2026, at the premises of the Grosuplje Music School, unit Dobrepolje (Jakličev dom, Videm 34, 1312 Videm).

Categories for violin, viola, cello and contrabass

1st category: 2nd and 3rd class
duration: up to 8 minutes

2nd category: 4th and 5th grade
duration: up to 10 minutes

3rd category: 6th, 7th and 8th grade
duration: up to 12 minutes

4. continuing category: for students continuing their musical education but not training to become professional musicians
duration: up to 12 minutes

In the viola category, previous years of violin instruction are added to the student's current grade level. In the double bass category, previous years of string instrument instruction are added to the student's current grade level.

Program

The participants of the competition will perform one etude and one orchestral part (can be partial), and a composition or movement of a concert accompanied by a piano or some other instrument. Participants will perform the etude and composition by heart and the orchestral part from sheet music.

In the continuing category, competitors also perform a vista piece selected by the jury.

Awards

Prizes for categories 1–3:

95 - 100 points: gold medal
90 – 94,99 points: silver medal
85 – 89,99 points: bronze medal

In each category the winner will receive a trophy. Prizes will also be awarded for the 2nd and the 3rd place and for the best performance of an orchestral part and etude.

Awards for the continuing category:

Diploma with distinction
Diploma with commendation
Diploma of performance

Conditions of participation

The competition is open to young string players studying at primary music schools.

The competitor will compete in the appropriate category according to the class he/she attends at the music school.

By registering for the competition, the parent or guardian agrees to the rules of the competition.

Registration for the competition and registration fee

The electronic application form for the competition must be submitted by November 5th 2026 at the website: https:// fermata.si/

The application form opens after October 3rd 2026.

It is not possible to change the competition program after registration.

After registration you will receive instructions for paying the registration fee to your e-mail address, which is €60 for the 1st category, €70 for the 2nd and 3rd categories and 75€ for continuing category.

Competition schedules will be prepared by the organizer. In order to prepare the competition schedules, it is mandatory to provide the exact minutes of the individual's competition program.

Members of the jury

President:
Ksenija Trotovšek Brlek

Members:
Sonja Horvat
Nikola Pajanović

Alternate members:
Polona Udovič,
Tamara Djordjević,
Eva Pal

At the end of the competition, members of the jury will be available for interviews with the participants and their mentors.

The number of applications is limited.

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The competition should be an opportunity for adventure, for a new experience. To strengthen the bond between the child, parents and a teacher, for a performance in front of an unknown audience, for new concert shoes or a dress and for a cake after the performance.

Sometimes we do better, sometimes we are a little disappointed. That's life. However, the competition is our magical day. Everyone sticks with us, they are here for us. And we are here because of music and love for it.

You are warmly invited to present your instrument to our committee and the audience. We will be happy to listen to you.

After the end of the competition, all prizes and awards for participation will be awarded.

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