



Rotary District 5340

Instrumental Music Competition

**High School Age Musicians
\$2,500 Scholarship Grand Prize**

La Mesa Rotary Club Contest January 24, 2018
Regional Contest in February 2018
District Final in March 2018

For more information contact John Fistere
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**Rotary District 5340
Youth Instrumental Music Contest**

Rules

- 1. Open to High School age students (14 to 18) residing in the District 5340 region.**
- 2. Limited to instrumentalist only. Any musical instrument is allowed.**
- 3. Sponsored by a District 5340 Rotary Club.**
- 4. Performance time will be between 3 and 8 minutes, with strict penalties for over or under time the allowed time.**
- 5. Winner of any level (Club or Area) must be able to compete in the next level to be eligible for the prize money.**
- 6. Contestant is responsible for travel expenses.**
- 7. Contestant is responsible for an accompaniment if needed.**
- 8. Contestant must provide 4 copies of music for the judges.**
- 9. All decisions of the judges are final and are based on musical ability, musical empathy/technique, interpretation and stage presence.**

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Student Application (Two pages)

The purpose of the competition is to determine the musician who best demonstrates his/her musical talent and love for music. Prize money will be awarded at each level of completion: Rotary Club Contest, Rotary Area Contest, and at the District 5340 Final Contest where a Grand Prize of \$2,500 will be awarded. The applicant will be notified of the dates and the locations of the competition two weeks prior to the competition.

The La Mesa Rotary Club Contest (First Level) will be held January 24, 2018 starting at Noon.

**Teacher's recommendation:
I have selected and recommend _____ for this competition.**

Teacher's name _____ (School if applicable) _____

Signature _____ Email _____

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I have read the above rules and agree to abide by them and by the decision of the judges.

Print name: _____ Signed _____

Student Name _____

Instrument _____ Grade ____ Age ____ School _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Return completed form to John Fistere, 11290 Lorena Lane, El Cajon, CA, or FAX to 619-447-1414, or email to JohnFistere@gmail.com. If you have any questions, please email them or call 619-447-1907.

Judging

Musical ability, Tone Quality/Intonation (25%) Is the contestant skilled with the instrument being played and do they appear to have command of this particular work?

Musical empathy, Technique (25%) Note accuracy, attacks, release, articulations, rhythmic accuracy and precision.

Interpretation (25%) Includes concept of style, tempo, phasing and dynamics. Does the instrument respond to the contestant in a manner that makes it desirable to listen to and make the listener want to hear more?

Stage Presence (25%) Does the contestant have command of the stage (area of performance) and is there a sense of rapport with the audience? Includes overall presentation and showmanship.