

CRESCENDO 2017 ANNOUNCED

The Calcutta School of Music is organizing the much awaited contest “**Crescendo VIII**” to be held from **3 July to 11 July 2017**. The competition preliminaries will be in the categories of Western Classical (Piano, Violin and Guitar, Western Popular (Solo Vocals), Western Rock Guitar (Solo) and Western Band. The Indian section will include competitions in Khayal only. The preliminaries will be held from **3 July to 11 July 2017** from **3:00 pm** onwards at the Sandre Hall at 6B Sunny Park, Kolkata 700 019.

The finals will be held on **Sunday 30 July** at ICCR, 9A Ho Chi Minh Sarani, Kolkata 700071.

CRESCENDO 2017 Rules and Regulations

Categories: Piano, Violin, Classical Guitar, Western Solo Vocals, Western Non Classical Guitar (Solo), Western Band and Hindustani Classical Vocals

Age Groups :

Junior: Class 3 to 6
Intermediate: Class 7 to 10
Senior: Class 11 and above till the age of 22 years

Children being home-schooled are welcome to participate in the competition.

- Piano – Junior, Intermediate & Senior
- Violin – Junior, Intermediate & Senior
- Guitar – Junior, Intermediate & Senior
- Western Vocals(Solo) – Junior, Intermediate & Senior
- Non Classical Guitar (Solo) – Intermediate & Senior
- Western Band - Intermediate & Senior
- Indian vocals – Junior, Intermediate & Senior

Rules and Regulations

Each registration must be accompanied by an entry fee of Rs 200@entry to be made in favour of The Calcutta School of Music or in cash as well.

Western Section

- Though candidates are free to make their own selection for the piece to be performed, it is expected that they will adhere to a basic minimum standard as follows:
- Junior section – At least Grade 4 level or above
- Intermediate Section – At least Grade 6 level or above
- Senior Section – Grade 8 or above where the grades approximately conform to the standard grade as indicated by the syllabi of ABRSM, Trinity College London or London College of Music Boards.
- Last date of entry is **30th June 2017**. Only the first 45 entries for each category (inclusive of all age groups) will be accepted for participation in the Crescendo contest.
- If there are less than two entries for a particular age group in a category, then preliminary selections will not be held for that age group in that category.
- Candidates **MUST** present an identity card of their academic institution during the preliminary round to verify their class.

- For the voices category time limit of performance: 4 – 5 minutes
Music track and CD can be used. The backing tracks should not have the melody line.
Backing tracks to be arranged by the performer.
- Band time limit 7 minutes off stage to off stage.
Maximum no. of members per band: 7
- Candidates are allowed to use any musical instrument to accompany themselves.
- Piano and drums will be provided by Calcutta School of Music for the prelims and final round.
Other instruments will have to be brought by the participants.
- Western Rock Guitar (Solo) must be performed with an accompanied track.

Indian Section

- CATEGORY – Pure Classical- Khayal
- Age group – Juniors & Intermediate – Performance duration – max 8 min.,
Senior - Performance duration – max 8 mins.
- Khayal in any raga of his/her own choice with alaap-taan.
- Candidates may sing drut only, and if so desired vilambit and drut together can be sung.
- CSM will provide tabla, tabla player and electronic tanpura. Participants can also bring their electronic tanpura.
- Harmonium is not allowed.

Other Information

- Three finalists from each category and age group will be selected in the preliminary round to be held from **3rd to 11th July 2017**.
- These finalists will be required to perform at the finals to be held at ICCR on **30 July**.
- Trophies and certificates will be given to all winners

The schedule for the overall competition has been decided as follows:

Preliminary Round (Sandre Hall – The Calcutta School of Music)

Western Solo Vocals	3 July
Piano	4 July
Violin	5 July
Classical Guitar	6 July
Rock Guitar	7 July
Western Band	10 July
Indian Vocals	11 July

Preliminaries to start at 3 pm. Registration at 2.30 pm.

Final Round with Prize Distribution (ICCR)

Sunday 30 July, 2017 at 10 am.

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