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2025 COLLEGE AND YOUNG PROFESSIONAL COMPETITION

SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025

Applications accepted: January 1, 2025 – March 15, 2025

Presented by Co-Sponsors

St. Petersburg Opera Guild and St. Petersburg Opera Company

To be held at

Opera Central, Preis Hall, 2145 First Avenue S., St. Petersburg, FL 33712

APPLICATION GUIDELINES

1. Previous first place winners of this competition are not eligible
2. Contestants cannot be older than 30 years of age on 4/5/2025
3. Applicant must submit **proof of age** (Copy of Florida Driver's License, Passport, Birth Certificate)
4. Contestants must be a **Florida Resident** or attending an accredited Florida School
Proof of Florida residency must be provided. (Florida Driver's License, letter from your Florida school verifying enrollment as of 4/5/2025. **Passport is not a proof of Residency**)
5. Please submit a bio or **snapshot** or **photocopied image** of yourself
6. **Entry Fees** – \$30 Payable to: "**St. Petersburg Opera Guild**". (If, for some reason, we are unable to accept your application, we will refund the Entry Fee to you. There is a maximum of 30 entries.)
7. **Application Submission:** Your completed application form, proof of age, proof of residency, media release, and entry fee must be received by **March 15, 2025. All materials needed to be printed and sent via USPS mail to St. Pete Opera Guild, P.O. Box 66681, St. Pete Beach, FL 33706**
8. **Accompanist.** You may bring your own accompanist. If you wish to use the accompanist provided by St. Petersburg Opera Guild, there is an additional fee of \$30; payable in cash on the day of the competition
9. **Competition Repertory:** Applicants must be prepared to present four (4) contrasting arias in the original language; if singing, other than standard repertoire, please send the music for the accompanist prior to the event
10. **Prize Money.** First prize \$3,000 Second prize \$2,000 Third prize \$1,000.

St Petersburg Opera Guild reserves the right to cancel the competition if there are not enough applicants

For any questions, please e-mail ursulaegggers@yahoo.com

Thank you and hope to hear from you.