38th Annual Piano Festival & Competition

Featuring Dr. Paolo André Gualdi

March 10-12, 2016

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2016 Dr. Sharyn Edwards Piano Festival & Competition
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Please send ____ registration form(s) to:
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(Return completed registration form(s) with fee(s) to Dr. Sharyn Edwards by Feb. 25.)

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COMPETITION SCHEDULE

This event is dedicated to meeting the needs of piano students and teachers from the southeastern North Carolina counties of Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, New Hanover, Pender and Robeson. Participants from other parts of the state also are welcome.

THURSDAY, MARCH 10
7:30 p.m. Artist Recital
Dr. Paolo André Gualdi
SCC Auditorium

FRIDAY, MARCH 11
9:00 a.m. COLLEGIATE DIVISION SEMIFINALS
(Four semifinalists will be selected to compete for awards at the 8 p.m. recital.)
SCC Auditorium
8:00 p.m. COLLEGIATE COMPETITION FINALS RECITAL
(Each of the four finalists will perform a 15-minute program in competition for the collegiate awards.)
SCC Auditorium

SATURDAY, MARCH 12
8:30 a.m. Coffee
9:00 a.m. HIGH SCHOOL MASTER CLASS
SCC Auditorium
Noon Lunch (on your own)
1:00 p.m. PIANO COMPETITION
Elementary I, Elementary II, Elementary III, Younger Beginner, Older Beginner, Junior High School (SCC), Senior High School
SCC Auditorium
7:00 p.m. STUDENT RECITAL
Competition Winners (K-12)
SCC Auditorium

The collegiate finals will be televised on local cable television channels.

COMPETITION RULES

Students from kindergarten through college age are eligible to enter. The divisions are as follows: Elementary I (grades K-2); Elementary II (grades 3 and 4); Elementary III (grades 5 and 6); Younger Beginner (grades 4-6, with no more than two years of instruction); Older Beginner (grades 7-12, with no more than two years of instruction); Junior High School (grades 7-9); Senior High School (grades 10-12); and Collegiate (full-time college students).

1. Each student must prepare an audition performing works from two contrasting periods. Students in the Elementary I division are required to play solo pieces by prominent composers from any historical period.
2. Students must stay within these limits:
   - Elementary I, II and III; Younger Beginner; and Older Beginner—3 minutes
   - Junior High School—8 minutes
   - Senior High School—8 minutes
   - Collegiate—15 minutes
3. All works must be memorized.
4. Each student and his/her teacher must submit a registration/entry form with the $15 fee no later than February 25, 2016.
5. Students in all divisions except collegiate must be present at the Saturday evening student recital to be eligible to receive their awards. Collegiate students will compete and receive their awards on Friday. (See schedule.)
6. Senior high students who wish to perform for the master class should send a tape or CD to Festival Director Dr. Sharyn Edwards by February 25, 2016 to be accepted to perform.
   *Piano selections performed in competition may not be performed in master class.

AWARDS

All competitors will receive certificates of participation and pins.

Southeastern North Carolina Students
Elementary I, II and III, Younger Beginner, Older Beginner, Junior High School, Senior High School:
- Winner in each division receives a trophy; both senior high school winners will receive a monetary award of $100.
- First and second runners-up receive medals.
- Honorable mentions will receive ribbons.

Visiting Students
Elementary I, II and III, Younger Beginner, Older Beginner, Junior High School, Senior High School:
- The most outstanding pianist in each division receives a special award.

Columbus County Students
Elementary I, II and III, Younger Beginner, Older Beginner, Junior High School, Senior High School:
- A special award is given to the most outstanding non-finalist pianist in each division from Columbus County.

College Students (Collegiate Division)
- Winner receives a trophy and a monetary award of $1,200.
- First and second runners-up receive medals.

COST

Single event tickets: Thursday, $10; Friday, $5; Saturday, $5; Festival Pass, $15
Competition registration/entry fee: $15 (covers all Festival events)
Collegiate entry fee: $20

FEATURED ARTIST: Dr. Paolo André Gualdi

Italian pianist Paolo André Gualdi has played recitals in Italy, France, Brazil and the United States for music organizations such as A.Gi.Mus., Accademia Ori, and Accademia Amadeus (Italy); Universidade Federal do Rio Grande do Sul and Universidade Federal de Santa Maria (Brazil); Musée Würth (France); International Piano Series of Charleston, American Liszt Society, Cincinnati Conservatory, and the Piccolo Spoleto Festival (U.S.A.). Orchestras he has performed with include the Georgia Philharmonic, Wilmington Symphony, Atlanta Philharmonic, Florence Symphony, DeKalb Symphony, and the Universidade de Caxias do Sul Symphony Orchestra. He has recorded for Mark Records and IFO Classics, and his performances have been broadcasted by radios such as NPR and Radio Vaticana.