

# REGULATIONS OF XXI INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL OF CHILDREN AND YOUNG CHOIRS “ RAINBOW”

St. Petersburg, Russia 24-25.03.2018

## I. INTRODUCTION

1. The festival is held for the 21<sup>st</sup> time.
2. The goal of the festival is to support and develop level of children and young choirs performance and create a possibility for exchange of experience of national and foreign conductors. The festival provides a possibility to give additional concerts, listen to other choirs, and create contacts between conductors and singers.
3. Founders of the competition:
  - Committee of Culture of Leningrad Region;
  - Regional Conductors Association of Children and Youth Choirs of North-West Russia member of European Choral Association - Europa Cantat
  - Choral Society “Lira” in Warsaw;
4. Festival is **represented** by:
  - **A.** Regional Conductors Association of Children and Youth Choirs of North-West Russia in the following countries: .Russian Federation, Estonia, Latvia. Lithuania, Belarus, Armenia, Moldova, Kazakhstan,
  - **B.** “Melody” (Poland) **in all other countries.**

## II. GENERAL INFORMATION

1. The festival-competition will take place **24-25<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018** in State Cappella of Saint-Petersburg, Saint-Petersburg Music-pedagogical college as well as in churches and other places according to the following schedule:

**23.03.2018 (Friday)** arrivals, city tours or other program or evening concert on request

**24.03.2018 (Saturday) ca. 12-22.00** Competition in categories,

**25.03.2018 (Sunday) 11-13.00** Gala Concert with prize- giving ceremony, additional Concerts in the evening (on request)

**26.03.2018 (Monday)** departure or extend your stay

2. The organizers decide about day and time of performance.

3. Choirs can take part in following categories :

**A1.** Children Choirs – singers under 12 years - minimum 16 singers

**A2.** Children Choirs – singers under 16 years - minimum 16 singers

**A3.** Equal Voices Youth Choirs –singers under 21 years - minimum 16 singers

**A4.** Mixed Youth Choirs - singers under 21 - minimum 16 singers

**A5.** Equal Voices Youth Choirs –singers under 27 years - minimum 16 singers

**A6.** Mixed Youth Choirs – singers under 27 years - minimum 16 singers

**B 1 .** Young Male and Female Choirs – singers under 35 years - minimum 12 singers

**B 2 .** Young Mixed Choirs – singers under 35 years - minimum 12 singers

**C.** Vocal Ensembles – singers under 30 years - maximum 12 singers

4. Each choir prepares the program which consists of 3 songs. Total time of performance on stage is **12 minutes**. This includes walking on/off stage so the pure singing time should be no longer than 10 minutes.

5. **10% of the singers can be older or younger than above requirements.** Festival is for amateur choirs (for none of the singers singing is the main work). The graduates of Music Universities are not amateur singers. The rule does not apply to the conductors.

6. Each choir prepares 3 songs out of which minimum 2 must be sung a cappella, in A1 – one song a cappella.

1 song a) sacred or classic song composed till the end of 19th century;

2 song b) folk song or song inspired by folklore;

3 song c) song composed after 1980 ;

7. Choir can take part in maximum 2 categories – in each category can NOT repeat same repertoire.

8. Choirs are responsible for eventual copy rights of scores used during the performance at the festival.

9. Choirs can be asked to sing at concerts which accompany the festival. Please prepare ca. 15 minutes program

### III. JURY

1. Performance will be judged by 5 international jury members.

2. Jury evaluates: intonation, voice emission, interpretation, stylistic variety of program and general artistic effect.

3. The decisions of Jury are final and shall not be appealed

4. The jury taking into account the artistic reasons may not award some prizes or award ex aequo or additional prizes.

### IV. PRIZES

In **each** category there are the following prizes:

1<sup>st</sup> place Golden Diploma 9,0-10,0 points

2<sup>nd</sup> place Silver Diploma 8,0-8,9 points marks

3<sup>rd</sup> place Bronze Diploma 7,0-7,9 points marks

Jury with agreement of organizers of festival may award some additional prizes. All choirs which don't receive any prizes will get the diploma of successful participation in festival.

### V. REGISTRATION

**A.** 1. **ONLY** For choirs from Russian Federation, Estonia, Latvia, Lithuania, Belarus, Armenia, Moldova, Kazakhstan, Ukraine, Georgia please send applications to: **(choirs from other countries please go to point B)**.

Rossi Tour  
Kanal Griboedova, 5, office 520  
St. Petersburg 191186  
Russia

or by e-mail : [rossi\\_tour@mail.ru](mailto:rossi_tour@mail.ru) or [info@rossitour.com](mailto:info@rossitour.com)

2. Interested choirs are asked to submit the application form with all attachments till 15.12.2017.

3. The complete application should contain:

- signed application form (if sent by e-mail please send us good quality scan)

- 5 copies of scores that will be sung during the competition part / or good quality scans/pdfs of scores

- history of choir and conductor 10 lines

- good quality photo of choir and conductor

- 200 Euro registration fee/ category

4.Registration fee must be paid (net – you cover bank costs) to the following account:

Tour Operator

“RT Business”

Beneficiary “RT Business” (in SPB BRANCH)

Account no: 40702978701200200147

Bank beneficiary: “Bank Otkritie Financial Corporation” (SWIFT: JSNMRUMM), RUSSIA

Correspondent Account# № 4008871501 with Commerz Bank AG Frankfurt am Main, Germany (COABADEFF)

(SWIFT: DRESDEFF)

Legal Address:

“RT Business”

191186 Russia,

St-Petersburg, KanalGriboedova, 5, Lit. E

Registration fee will be returned only if choir is not qualified.

Registration fee.

Choir takes part in first category makes 200 EUR per choir, second category - 150 EUR .

Vocal Ensemble category 100 euro,

5. The decision if the choir is qualified to take part in festival will be given no later than 15.01.2018

6. The choirs are responsible to cover all travel and accommodation costs during the festival

7. For organisational reasons (concerts, flexible timetable of singing, shortage of hotel rooms in Saint-Petersburg, costs of festival etc.) the organizers of the festival reserve the right to arrange accommodation for all choirs according to prices published in the application form.

8. Any choir or travel agent representing the choir who will not buy accommodation from the organiser must pay 75 Euro per every participant (person). The amount is due till 15.01.2018.

9. Please all questions about Regulations, competition and concert programs direct by e-mail: [choirharmony@gmail.com](mailto:choirharmony@gmail.com), you can also contact by phone Monday to Friday +7 911 936 63 43.

All questions about accommodation, transport, visas, excursion programs direct by e-mail

Rossi Tour: [rossi\\_tour@mail.ru](mailto:rossi_tour@mail.ru), St. Petersburg, kanal Griboedova, 5, office 520

Tel: 007 (812) 380 74 87, 007 (812) 380 73 69

Fax: 007 (812) 380 74 87, 007 (812) 380 73 69

[info@rossitour.com](mailto:info@rossitour.com) [www.rossitours.com](http://www.rossitours.com)

## B.

1. Choirs from all countries (except from countries listed in point A.) please send applications to:

**MELODY**  
**Ogrodowa 27A**  
**05-509 Jozefoslaw, POLAND**

or by e-mail [info@petersburgfestival.com](mailto:info@petersburgfestival.com)

2. Interested choirs are asked to submit the application form with all attachments till **15.11.2017**.

3. The complete application should contain:

- signed application form (if sent by e-mail please send us good quality scan)
- 5 copies of scores that will be sung during the competition part / or good quality scans/pdfs of scores
- history of choir and conductor
- good quality photo of choir and conductor
- 200 Euro registration fee for first category, 150 Euro for second category, 100 Euro for vocal ensemble

Registration fee must be paid (net – you cover bank costs) on the following account:

**PL88 1090 1694 0000 0001 1554 3717** (SWIFT): **WBKPPLPP**  
Bank: **Bank Zachodni WBK S.A. ul. Rynek 9/11,50-950 Wrocław. POLAND**

Holder of Account **MELODY, Ogrodowa 27A, 05-500 Piaseczno, POLAND** " please write in title name of your choir"

**Registration fee will be returned only if choir is not qualified.**

5. The decision if the choir is qualified to take part in festival will be given no later than **15.12.2017 (on request we send qualification letters within 3 weeks from receiving complete application)**

6. The choirs are responsible to cover all travel and accommodation costs during the festival

**7. For organisational reasons (concerts, flexible timetable of singing, , costs of festival etc.) the organizers of the festival reserve the right to arrange accommodation for all choirs according to prices published in application form. The 50% of the deposit is due till 10.01.2018**

8. In cooperation with Russian travel agent the choirs will be supported with the visa invitation for singers and accompanying persons. The list of persons including passport no. and date of birth should be submitted till. 10.01.2018 together with the deposit for accommodation.

9. Organizers provide the choirs only with legal visa invitation but do not take part in the process of obtaining Russian visas in your countries.

10. During the stay in Petersburg will be assisted by volunteers

11. Please all questions direct by e-mail: [info@petersburgfestival.com](mailto:info@petersburgfestival.com) or fax +48226416157

You can also contact us by phone Monday to Friday +48226416157 , +48603361616 (9-15.00)