

42nd International Festival of Orthodox Church Music
“Hajnówka 2023” in Białystok, Poland
24 - 28.05.2023

REGULATIONS

1. We have been organizing the International Festival of Orthodox Church Music „Hajnówka” annually since 1982.
2. Mixed, male and female choirs are welcome to participate in the Festival in the categories:
 - a) amateur choirs
 - b) professional choirs
3. The category of the choir should be confirmed by its conductor.
4. The repertoire should contain no less than five Orthodox Church music pieces performed a cappella only, while the time to perform them should be about 18-20 minutes. It is required to vary up the repertoire in its historical cross-section, as well as use contrasting tempos, dynamics, and forms.
Any changes in the repertoire can be reported until March 15, 2023.
5. Applications should be sent by e-mail to the Organizers’ Office by the end of December 2022.
6. The organizers will inform choirs whether they have been qualified for the Festival by the end of January 2023.
7. Choirs qualified and invited to participate in the Festival are requested to submit the following information by e-mail to the Organizers’ Office by the end of February 2023:
 - a) phonetic titles and performance times of each composition
 - b) full names of their composers
 - c) a single copy of notes for each of the compositions included in the program.
8. The performances of the choirs are estimated by the international jury presided by Prof. Romuald Twardowski based on the following criteria:
 - a) choice of repertoire
 - b) interpretation
 - c) conducting
 - d) artistic impression

9. All participating choirs will receive commemorative diplomas, while the best choirs will be awarded with money prizes. The choirs appointed by the jury are obliged to take part in the Gala Concert (in the same composition as during the competition auditions).
10. The Organizers provide lodging and sustenance (3 meals a day).
11. Participants cover their travel expenses to Białystok and finance their stay:
 - a) choirs up to 35 members - 25€ per person per day
 - b) for each person over 35 members – 50€ per person per daythrough a money transfer onto the organizers' bank account to be made by February 20, 2023.
12. A written resignation from the participation in the Festival before March 15, 2023 will allow the return of the transferred funds.
13. Aside from participation in the Festival, the Organizers anticipate the choirs to perform in accompanying concerts (also with different repertoires).
14. The organizers reserve unlimited right for recording, duplication and distribution of recorded concerts through various means. The choirs and their conductors do not receive any compensation for participation in the concerts or for eventual radio or TV recordings made during the Festival.
15. All decisions of the regulations are final.
16. Festival applications and any additional information may be obtained from:
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