

17th International Henryk Wieniawski Violin Competition

Rules for the Submission of Extra-Statutory Awards

Art. 1

1. The Rules for the Submission of Extra-Statutory Awards (hereinafter: the "Rules") set out the principles for the submission of extra-statutory awards granted to participants in the 17th International Henryk Wieniawski Violin Competition (hereinafter: the "Competition"), organised by Towarzystwo Muzyczne im. Henryka Wieniawskiego w Poznaniu (hereinafter: the "Organiser") between 8 and 25 October 2026 in Poznań.
2. The Special Awards traditionally presented during the Competition are excluded from these Rules.

Art. 2

1. An extra-statutory award may be granted by a natural or legal person (hereinafter: the "Founder").
2. An extra-statutory award may be granted in the form of:
 - a. a monetary award;
 - b. an award in kind;
 - c. a concert engagement with a fee.
3. An extra-statutory award may be granted only to a participant who has qualified for the Competition and has taken part in the auditions of at least one stage of the Competition.

Art. 3

1. The Founder shall be obliged to specify the criteria for granting the extra-statutory award being submitted.
2. The criteria referred to in par. 1 must be objective in nature, so that the award can be granted on the basis of the documented assessments of the Jury, or the documented assessments of the Jury in conjunction with information about the participant available to the Competition Office.
3. In particular, extra-statutory awards are permitted for:
 - a. the highest-rated participant of a given stage;
 - b. the highest-rated participant of a given stage who has not qualified for the next stage or for the final;
 - c. the highest-rated participant representing a given country.
4. It shall not be permissible to formulate criteria for granting an extra-statutory award that take into account the participant's sex or age.
5. The criteria for granting an extra-statutory award may not be formulated in a manner that would allow the person to be awarded to be identified before the Competition begins.

Art. 4

1. An extra-statutory award shall be submitted to the Competition Office no later than 12:00 noon (CEST) on 1 October 2026, in writing, to the following address: michal@wieniawski.pl.

2. The submission referred to in par. 1 must specify the value of the extra-statutory award:
 - a. for monetary awards and concert fees – expressed as a gross amount;
 - b. for awards in kind – expressed as a net amount.

Art. 5

1. The decision to accept a submitted extra-statutory award shall be taken by the Director of the Competition.
2. The Director of the Competition reserves the right to refuse a submitted extra-statutory award without giving any reason, or to call upon the Founder to further specify or amend the criteria for granting it.

Art. 6

1. Should a submitted non-statutory award is accepted by the Director of the Competition, the Founder and the Organiser shall conclude an agreement setting out in detail the principles for funding it and the mutual obligations of the parties.
2. Publication of information about the submitted extra-statutory award and its Founder, and the subsequent granting of the award, shall be conditional upon the conclusion of the agreement referred to in par. 1 and, in the case of a monetary award, also upon payment of the declared amount into the Organiser's account no later than 8 October 2026. The date of payment shall be deemed to be the date on which the amount of the award is credited to the Organiser's bank account.

Art. 7

The complete list of extra-statutory awards and their Founders shall be made public, in particular on the Organiser's website and social media, no later than 8 October 2026.

Art. 8

1. Once the results of the Competition have been determined, the Competition Office shall promptly inform the Founder as to which participant, on the basis of the previously formulated criteria, is to be granted the submitted non-statutory award.
2. Only the Organiser shall be authorised to inform the participant of the granting of the extra-statutory award to them.
3. The list of awarded participants, together with an indication of the Founders of the extra-statutory awards, shall be made public, in particular on the Organiser's website and social media.

Art. 9

1. The extra-statutory awards shall be presented during the Gala Concert which will be held on 23 October 2026 at Adam Mickiewicz University Main Auditorium in Poznań, 1 Wieniawskiego street.
2. For organisational reasons, the Competition Office reserves the right to decide which extra-statutory awards are to be presented or handed over individually during the Gala Concert. One of the criteria determining whether an extra-statutory award is handed over during the Gala Concert is the value of the award.
3. The template of the diploma to be presented to the participant in connection with the granting of an extra-statutory award shall be determined in consultation with, and subject to the approval of, the Competition Office.

Art. 10

The submission of an extra-statutory award shall constitute acceptance of these Rules.

Art. 11

The Organiser reserves the right to make changes to these Rules.