

2026 PHYLLIS SALTER

PIANO COMPETITION

The Vancouver Academy of Music Phyllis Salter Piano Competition is designed to identify young talented students and afford them recognition and financial assistance. Up to nine winners will be chosen with \$4,500 in total scholarship awards available for VAM 2026/27 tuition.

Scholarships

Up to three \$500 scholarships will be awarded to winners in each category:

- Age 26 and under
- Age 18 and under
- Age 12 and under

Application deadline: April 6, 2026

Competition dates: April 27, 2026

** Students will receive notice of their specific time slot following the application deadline.*

Eligibility

Eligible students are those currently enrolled in private piano lessons at VAM age 26 and under as of April 27, 2026. Previous winners of the Phyllis Salter Piano Competition are eligible to compete.

Adjudication

Students will be adjudicated by a panel of two distinguished musicians external to VAM.

Competition Rules

1. Applications are subject to a non-refundable fee of \$60 made payable to the Vancouver Academy of Music.
2. Students will be required to prepare one work with the following length requirements:
 - a) 12 and under: maximum 8 minutes
 - b) 18 and under: maximum 12 minutes
 - c) 26 and under: maximum 15 minutes

Concerti are not permitted.

3. The competition is closed to the public with the exception of the parent/guardian and teacher of the student performing; no video or audio recording is permitted.
4. The student must provide two copies of the score to the adjudicators (photocopies permitted).
5. The adjudicators retain the right to withhold any prize if, in their opinion, it is not merited. All decisions made by the adjudicators are final and without appeal.

To apply

Complete the form on the back page or apply online at: vam.ca.

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Application Form

Deadline: April 6, 2026, 11:59pm

Name: (First) _____ (Middle) _____ (Last) _____

Address: (Number and Street) _____

(City) _____ (Prov.) _____ (Postal Code) _____

Email: _____ Telephone: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Name of Private Piano Teacher: _____

- ☐ The student and their parent/guardian understand that, if the student is selected for a scholarship award, they must provide the student's Social Insurance Number to VAM in accordance with CRA regulations.

Please contact niki.wingyan@vam.ca with any questions.

Work to be performed

Composer: _____

Title: _____

Movement (if applicable; please include number and title, *e.g.*, *I. Allegro*): _____

Duration: _____

By signing below, the contestant agrees to observe and abide by the rules, regulations, and restrictions as stated in this document.

Signature of Contestant: _____ Date: _____

Remember, your completed file must contain:

1. Completed application form
2. Non-refundable registration fee of \$60

Mail your completed file to: Niki Hung, Programs Coordinator

Vancouver Academy of Music 1270 Chestnut St | Vancouver, BC V6J 4R9

For Office use only

Application fee included: by cash _____ by cheque _____

Received by: _____ Date: _____