

"Finger Waltz" Public Piano Competition 2nd Edition

Blindfolded Playing Challenge

Rules

1. About

"Finger Waltz" Public Piano Competition 2nd Edition: Blindfolded Playing Challenge is a piano competition organized by Finger Waltz Music Productions. The purpose of this competition is to provide a platform to every piano lover to show their talent in an easy and casual way, with our public piano. We'd like to help the contestants to enjoy music, improve their piano performance skills, and more importantly, increase people's enthusiasm for learning and appreciating piano playing.

Official Website: www.fingerwaltzmusicproductions.com

2. Requirements

- 2.1 Who Can Join
 - 2.1.1 The competition is open to contestants of all nationalities and background, who aged 4 years old and above. For contestant below 18 years old, you will need your parents/guardians to do the registration for you to get their consent.
- 2.2 Performance and Recording
 - 2.2.1 Contestants need to perform at the public piano (a Schulze Pollmann S-115A upright piano) placed outside Finger Waltz Music PLQ Mall branch. Address: 10 Paya Lebar Road, PLQ Mall, #03-20/34, Singapore 409057.

- 2.2.2 "Blindfolded Playing Challenge" is the theme of this competition. The main objective of the competition is to showcase the participants' ability to play the piano with their eyes blindfolded, relying solely on their sense of touch and memory. It may be difficult but full of creativity and joy!

 Tips: Try to play without open your eyes at home to get familiar with this challenge before you join the competition!
- 2.2.3 You can play only 1 piece of any style at your choice. You will need to indicate the title of the piece, the composer, and the duration of the piece during your registration. Change piece is not allowed after submission.
- 2.2.4 Your performance must not exceed 4 minutes. If your performance exceeds the time limitation, you may consider cutting the repeats or play in a faster tempo. Performance more than 4 minutes will be disqualified.
- 2.2.5 All performance will be recorded by Finger Waltz Music as video clips. Contestants will need to upload the video clip of your performance to your own social medias for public to view.
- 2.2.6 Finger Waltz Music will provide staff and camera for the recording. Any videos shot by contestants themselves or by any third parties are not acceptable for the competition.
- 2.2.7 Contestants only have 2 chances to shoot the video, and the video shooting must be done within 30 minutes at reserved slot.
- 2.2.8 Contestant must play by memory with their eyes covered by a blindfold. Otherwise, the performance will be disqualified.
- 2.2.9 Contestant are required to ensure your safety by sitting down first before covering your eyes and beginning to play. And please remove your blindfold before you stand up. In this way, people will also know who you are by seeing your face in the video.
- 2.2.10 Finger Waltz Music won't provide blindfolds. Contestants must bring your own completely opaque blindfolds to ensure you can't see the piano keyboard. Finger Waltz Music staff will check them.
 - Tips: Contestants can use a variety of blindfold not only simple eye masks. For example, towels, hats, clothes, or even a carton! Your creative idea will make your video more engaging and attract more likes.

2.3 Competition Date and Time

- 2.3.1 Contestants need to do their performance and recording within 1st June 2024 to 23rd June 2024, from 12:00pm to 8:00pm by appointment only. After successful registration, Finger Waltz Music will contact the contestants to arrange a proper slot for their performance and recording.
- 2.3.2 Once the performance and recording slot is confirmed, you can only make one (1) reschedule subject to Finger Waltz Music's approval.

2.3.3 No show will be deemed as disqualified and no reschedule or refund allowed.

2.4 Dress Code

- 2.4.1 There is no specific requirement for dress code, however, please dress neatly and not scantily.
- 2.4.2 To make your performance more attractive and interesting, you may consider wearing anime cosplay, tuxedo etc., to match up with your music.

3. Registration

- 3.1 Registration Period
 - 3.1.1 Contestants may register the competition from now to 31st May 2024.
- 3.2 How to Register
 - 3.2.1 Please fill up the registration form in our official website and make payments online:
 - www.fingerwaltzmusicproductions.com/publicpianocompetition
 - 3.2.2 Only one entry per contestant.
 - 3.2.3 Solo performance only.
 - 3.2.4 With successful registration, we will contact you in 1 week, to arrange a proper slot for your performance and recording, please make sure your contact information is correct during your registration.

3.3 Fees

- 3.3.1 \$30 per registration, credit card payments only.
- 3.3.2 All payments are nonrefundable, except cancellation of the competition from the organizer.

4. Results and Prizes

- 4.1 Upload Your Video to Social Medias
 - 4.1.1 After the performance and recording, Finger Waltz Music will keep the videos and only send the videos to all contestants by 30th June 2024.
 - 4.1.2 Contestants need to upload the video to their own social media platforms

('Facebook', 'Instagram', and 'Xiao Hong Shu' only) within 1st July 2024 to 3rd July 2024. If contestants upload the video beyond this period, they will be disqualified for a prize.

4.1.3 Contestants need to @fingerwaltzmusic and hashtag #schulzepollmann #fingerwaltzmusic #publicpianocompetition #blindfoldedplayingchallenge in the captions when they post the video on 'Facebook', 'Instagram' and 'Xiao Hong Shu'. You may also add on other hashtags to attract more views.

4.2 Result Criteria

- 4.2.1 The top 5 contestants who get the most total likes in 'Facebook', 'Instagram' and 'Xiao Hong Shu', will be the winners, only if they also achieve criteria 4.1.2, 4.1.3, 4.2.2, 4.2.3 at the same time. The video likes counting deadline will be 7:00pm Singapore time on 13th July 2024.
- 4.2.2 To qualify as a winner, contestants are required to follow Finger Waltz Music's social medias on 'Facebook', 'Instagram' and 'Xiao Hong Shu'.
- 4.2.3 Contestants need to get at least 300 likes in total on 'Facebook', 'Instagram' and 'Xiao Hong Shu' to qualify as a winner. More likes, more chances to win. Please share and invite your friends to like your video.
- 4.2.4 Video Boosting is not allowed. If we detect such behavior or suspect video boosting, we will require contestants to provide relevant proof or backend data for verification. Finger Waltz Music reserves the right to disqualify contestants in such cases.

4.3 Prizes

4.3.1 Top 5 winners will get cash bonus and a certificate.

> 1st prize winner cash bonus: \$500 SGD 2nd prize winner cash bonus: \$300 SGD 3rd prize winner cash bonus: \$200 SGD 4th prize winner cash bonus: \$150 SGD

5th prize winner cash bonus: \$100 SGD

- We will announce the result on our website and social medias on 17th July 2024. 4.3.2
- 4.3.3 The winners' performance videos will be published on Finger Waltz Music's social medias after the announcement of the results.
- 4.3.4 Winners need to come to Finger Waltz Music PLQ Mall branch in person to collect cash bonus and the certificate. If the winner cannot be reached within 10 days after the announcement of the results, both the cash bonus and the certificate will be deemed as a waiver.
- 4.3.5 The prizes are not transferable to another person.
- 4.3.6 Prizes may not be awarded if contestants do not fulfil all requirements and criteria

mentioned in 4.1 and 4.2.

4.3.7 All contestants with successful registration are entitled \$500 SGD discount in any new piano purchase in Finger Waltz Music, but no buying obligation. This discount is not eligible with other discounts at the same time.

5. Copyright and PDPC

- 5.1 In case of audio-visual recordings and photographs of performance during the competition, contestants renounce all economic and rights of any nature, authorize the organizer of the competition, include any related production and/or broadcasting bodies to the free publication and partial or total reproduction of contestant's performance.
- 5.2 For all contestants submit their registration, will be considered that they have authorized "Finger Waltz Music Productions Private Limited" or its related companies, sponsors, or partners in this competition, to use the contestants' personal data, including diffusion of photographs, audios, and videos.
- 5.3 For all contestants submit their registration, will be considered that they have authorized "Finger Waltz Music Productions Private Limited" or its related companies, sponsors, or partners to use the contestants' contact information, including for marketing purpose.

6. Others

- 6.1 Competition is not open to employees of Finger Waltz Music.
- 6.2 The contestants must show a valid ID for verification before the performance and recording.
- 6.3 The results are not questionable, and no appeal allowed.
- 6.4 All performances are public, you may have random audiences who are not under Finger Waltz Music's control during your performance. Finger Waltz Music do not have any obligation for all behaviors of audiences.
- 6.5 Contestant who registers the competition, agrees with the rules without exceptions.
- 6.6 Finger Waltz Music reserves the rights to amend the rules at any time. The amended competition rules will be updated on the website.
- 6.7 The rules are based on Singapore Law.

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