

Press release

YEAH! Young EARopean Award – apply now for 2013!

Second round of the first European competition for music communication YEAH!

17th September 2012 sees the start of the next round of the YEAH! Young EARopean Award. Europe's first competition for music communication is looking for innovative ideas for the musical life of tomorrow. Professional music formats for a young audience can be tendered until 31st January 2013. With its motto "Music connects", YEAH! believes in the transnational effect of music and its power to broaden horizons. Its winners will be celebrated on 14th September 2013 at the YEAH! Festival in Osnabrück.

As of 17th September, projects can be put forward for the YEAH! Young EARopean Award and a total of €40,000 prize money. Calling all orchestras and ensembles, theatres and concert halls, composers, musicians, librettists, authors, teachers and artists anywhere in Europe offering new stage formats as future-oriented stimuli for international music. Suggestions on outstanding productions for a young audience are also welcome. The deadline for propositions is 31st January 2013.

Applications can be made online and a DVD recording is also required.

Information and registration at www.yeah-award.com

The awards ceremony will take place on 14th September 2013 as the final highlight of the YEAH! Festival (6th - 14th September) in Osnabrück. The festival complements the competition as a valuable opportunity to put young, contemporary concert formats in the spotlight. Musicians and ensembles from all over Europe will show regional and international audiences that it's worth rethinking how music is presented and put Osnabrück at the centre of European music communication.

The reaction to the announcement of the YEAH! Award 2011 was resounding, with 170 applications from 30 countries. 15 nominations and five winners were then presented at the 1st YEAH! Festival in November 2011. A lively feast of music with positive feedback both in professional circles and from the citizens of Osnabrück. Good reason for the Stahlwerk Georgmarienhütte Trust to once again sponsor the competition. In future, the competition for the YEAH! Young EARopean Award will take place every two years.

The YEAH! Young EARopean Award is a project of the Stahlwerk Georgsmarienhütte Trust and the netzwerk junge ohren e.V.

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