

Liege, January 31th 2017

Le Directeur général et artistique

Dear Madam, Sir,

Opera Royal of Wallonie-Liege is organizing the first edition of its International Opera Conductors Competition.

This Competition is a genuine event: it is the first time that a competition for Conductors of this scale is entirely dedicated to Opera. It is open to all candidates born after the 1st January of 1982, and it will take place in Liege (Belgium), over several rounds:

- Elimination round (conducting)
 - Friday the 18th of August 2017
 - Saturday the 19th of August 2017
- Eighth-Final round (musical on piano with soloists)
 - Sunday the 20th of August 2017 and Monday the 21th of August 2017
- Quarter-final round (conducting with soloists, choirs and children's choir)
 - Tuesday the 22th of August 2017
- Semi-final round (conducting with soloists, choirs and children's choir)
 - Wednesday the 23th of August and Thursday the 24th of August 2017
- Finale (conducting with soloists, choirs and children's choir)
 - Saturday 26th of August 2017

Throughout the competition, the candidates will have the chance to conduct the Orchestra, the Choirs and the Children's Choir of the Opera Royal of Wallonie-Liege and several soloists in a varied repertoire (Rossini, Mozart, Verdi, Lalo, Weber, Puccini).

An international jury, composed of prominent figures recognized on the international lyrical stage (conductors, theater directors, agents, singers), will be soon revealed.

All competitions will be attended by audience (free entrance).

First prize winner will be rewarded by 10,000 euros and will also be offered a contract to lead an opera production at the Royal Opera of Wallonia-Liege.

For appliance, candidates are invited to read the competition rules, to fill in the online registration form and finally to send all the required documents by the 31th of March 2017 on www.operaliege.be.

I would be extremely grateful if you could share those information with your students and contacts.
With all my best regards,
Yours sincerely.



General and Artistic Director
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