

# 4th International Choir Competition



## of Folkloristic Choral Music

Šibenik – Croatia

May 18th, 2024

### Organizers:

*The Croatian Choral Directors Association  
and The Šibenik Singing Society Kolo*

### Venue:

HNK - The Croatian State Theatre in Šibenik  
Ul. Kralja Zvonimira 1

### Regulations:

The competition is aimed at all types of singing groups and choirs – youth, adult, folkloristic, 'klapas' and classical choirs.

- All songs are to be sung in their original language.
- One song need to be sung a cappella, others may be sung backed by few original acoustic instruments (piano, guitar, accordeon, strings, wind, percussion etc.).
- Songs may be either secular or sacred.
- All pieces must be sung in at least three parts.
- Every choir can compete in one or two categories.
- Singers must be at least 15 years old.

### Category A - National folkloristic music 🎵

- 8 - 10 minute program
- 3 - 4 compositions/arrangements
- the program shall consist of compositions/arrangements of different characters
- songs must be only from the choir's country of origin

### Category B - Foreign folkloristic music 🎵

- 8 to 10 minute program
- 3 to 4 compositions/arrangements
- the program shall consist of compositions/arrangements of different characters
- songs must be only from foreign countries

### Category C - Mixed folkloristic music 🎵

- 8 to 10 minute program
- 3 to 4 compositions/arrangements
- the program shall consist of compositions/arrangements from the choir's country of origin and from foreign countries
- one song must be sung a cappella

## Rating

The jury consists of several members. The rating elements are:

- *interpretation*
- *singing skill*
- *program difficulty*
- *general artistic impression*  
(intonation, stylistics, fidelity to the score)

## Awards

### **I. Round**

A choir's performance may be awarded no more than 30 points. The average number of points is calculated on the basis of the total number of points awarded by the jury. The Awards with the relevant levels are presented according to the number of points received. Each award has ten levels (1-10). The awards are not limited in number.

- **Bronze award I – X** (1,00-10,99 points)
- **Silver award I – X** (11,00-20,99 points)
- **Golden award I – X** (21,00-30,00 bodova)
- **Grand Prize (Grand Prix)**

Prize level	<b>Bronze award</b>	<b>Silver award</b>	<b>Gold award</b>
I	1,00-1,99	11,00-11,99	21,00-21,99
II	2,00-2,99	12,00-12,99	22,00-22,99
III	3,00-3,99	13,00-13,99	23,00-23,99
IV	4,00-4,99	14,00-14,99	24,00-24,99
V	5,00-5,99	15,00-15,99	25,00-25,99
VI	6,00-6,99	16,00-16,99	26,00-26,99
VII	7,00-7,99	17,00-17,99	27,00-27,99
VIII	8,00-8,99	18,00-18,99	28,00-28,99
IX	9,00-9,99	19,00-19,99	29,00-29,99
X	10,00-10,99	20,00-20,99	30,00
	points	points	points

### **II. Round - Final Championship - Grand Prix**

Choirs with the most points in A and B categories and which have won *Gold Prizes* compete for the *Grand Prix* by performing the same repertoire. The Jury may choose additional choirs, Gold Prize winners, to enter the competition to win the Grand Prix. An expanded jury will vote in private, without awarding points. The winner gets a trophy.

## Special Awards

According to its judgment, the jury may present awards to conductors/musical directors and instrumental accompanists in the case of exceptional artistic impressions.

### **Participation Fee**

Participation in one or two categories costs 250 €. All information for payment are on the application form.

### **Registration**

To register for the competition, you should mail the following to *The Croatian Choral Directors Association*:

- a completed registration form (via e-mail)
- a photo of the choir and conductor in high resolution (via e-mail)
- brief CVs of both the choir and the conductor (separately) in Word format and in no more than 100 words each
- four copies of the scores for the registered compositions/arrangements (via post)
- verification of paid registration fees for participation in the Competition (via post)

The Artistic Committee reviews and approves the registered programs.

The registration deadline is April 18th, 2024.

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