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| Taunton Festival Of The Arts MASTER LOGO | **Taunton Festival of the Arts**  **Sunday 15th November 2015** www.tauntonfestival.org.uk |

**10th Taunton Young Musician of the Year Competition**

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he Trustees of the Festival have established a fund, designed to provide prizes for young musicians who demonstrate outstanding musical ability. The Taunton Young Musician of the Year Competition, now in its 10th year, aims to assist and encourage musical excellence amongst students living in Somerset or within a 50 mile radius.

**The competition is generously supported by:**

*Taunton Deane Borough Council; Taunton Music Trust;*

*Taunton Rotary Club Taunton Festival of the Arts, Shakspeare Glass,*

*Taunton School; Queen’s College; Taunton Sinfonietta;*

*Ronald Tickner Memorial Trust*

## MC900054834 Taunton Young Musician of the Year (TYM)

## Competition Rules 2015/16

The competition is held in two rounds. The first round is on Sunday 15th November and the final on 28th February 2016 (venue to be announced).

Conditions for entry are as follows:-

1. Entrants to be aged between 14 and 19 on 1 September 2015
2. To be resident or to attend school within a 50 mile radius of Taunton.
3. To have attained grade 6 standard or above.
4. To offer 2 or 3 contrasting pieces for adjudication.
5. Time limit – up to 10 minutes (first round). Copies of music must be provided for the adjudicators. Photocopies will be retained and destroyed immediately after the event in accordance with copyright regulations (see Festival rules).
6. Entrants should provide their own accompanists although an official accompanist may be available by arrangement with the Festival. There will be an additional charge made.
7. Open to instrumental performers only – singers have their own competition: Taunton Young Singer of the Year (TYS).
8. The total number of competitors will be limited to 30 (thirty).
9. The Closing Date for entries is Friday 6th November 2015.
10. Entry fees may be paid with a cheque (payable to Taunton Festival of the Arts). Other methods of payment are also available (details on request).
11. Completed entries can either be emailed or submitted by post (details below).

**The First Round** will take place on Sunday 15th November at Taunton School. Entrants will be judged by an experienced adjudicator. Following this round, a maximum of 5 finalists will be selected. An audience for the performers would be most welcome.

**The Final Round** of the competition will take place before an audience on 28th February (venue to be announced). Finalists will be asked to perform a recital of 3 or 4 pieces of no less than 12, or more than 15, minutes duration which may include pieces performed during the First Round. The final will be judged by 2 Adjudicators.

**THE ORGANISERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO ADJUST THE RULES, SHOULD THIS BE IN**

**THE BEST INTERESTS OF THE COMPETITION.**

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| APPLICATION FORM | | | | | | | |
| **Please complete and return with payment to:**  Competition Secretary: Nigel Cavey, The Old Vicarage, Stogumber, Taunton TA4 3TA caveynw@hotmail.com 01984 656634 | | | | | | | |
| **Name:** | |  | | | | | |
| **Address:** | |  | | | | | |
| **Postcode:** | |  | | | | | |
| **Email:** | |  | | | | | |
| **Tel:** | |  | | **Mobile:** | |  | |
| **Date of Birth:** | |  | |  | | | |
| **School:** | |  | | **Teacher:** | |  | |
| **Instrument/Voice:** | | |  | | | | |
| **Class No:** | | TYM1/2/3/4/5 | | **Fee: £20.00** | | | |
| **Official Accompanist needed** | | | | | YES/NO | | |
| **Please State if you have any special needs.** | | | | | YES/NO | | |
| (If “yes” please attach details when submitting this application) | | | | | | | |
| **Declaration**  *I have read and agree to abide by the rules contained in the current syllabus. Except where I have indicated to the contrary, I do not object to my personal data being held on the Festival database. I do/do not object to photographs taken by an official photographer for publicity or the Festival’s web site.* | | | | | | | |
| **N.B.** The Festival holds personal data solely for the purpose of running the Festival and third party disclosure is strictly limited (e.g. to computer technicians maintaining or repairing equipment, solicitor giving legal advice etc.) | | | | | | | |
| **Signature:** |  | | | | **Date:** | |  |
| *(Parent or Teacher if under age 18, if hand-written)* | | | | | | | |
| **Please print name** |  | | | | **Tel:** | |  |
| *(please make cheques payable to Taunton Festival of the Arts)* | | | | | | | |

## MC900054834Awards

*(Adjudication scripts and certificates will also be awarded to all competitors)*

**Taunton Young Musician of the Year** -

(for students aged between 14 - 19 on 1 September 2015)

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| **Prizes** | |
| **1st Prize** | **£300** |
| **2nd Prize** | **£150** |
| **3rd Prize** | **£75** |
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**The winner will:**

1. Receive a glass trophy, donated by Shakspeare Glass, Taunton, to be retained for one year.
2. Perform as a guest with the Taunton Sinfonietta at one of their annual concerts.
3. Be invited to take part in the Rotary District 1200 Young Musician Competition, if eligible.