



I am always for changes and progress to the future, but this time I would like to appreciate the old tradition being renewed again - let's enjoy the international choir competition "Juventus".

Dear students, let's put aside daily practices and compete for affection of the glorious muse of Music.

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9th International Competition of Mixed Academic Choirs "Juventus 2013"

Schedule of "Juventus 2013" Events:

Friday, May 10

12:00 PM. Stephen Jaffe, Composer: Reflections on New Media, the Orchestra, and the Documentary Impulse. Open lecture in English language at Kaunas University of Technology, Faculty of Humanities (43 Gedimino Street, auditorium 102).

6:00 PM. Arrival and registration of participating choirs at Archdiocese of Kaunas conference hall (5 Papilio Street).

7:00 PM. Opening concert at Archdiocese of Kaunas conference hall (5 Papilio Street). Every participating choir performs a freely chosen song a cappella.

Saturday, May 11

2:00 – 5:00 PM. Choir competition at Kaunas State Philharmonic (5 L. Sapiegos Street).

5:30 - 7:30 PM Sacred music performance at Kaunas Memorial Christ's Resurrection church (31A Zemaitis Street).

Sunday, May 12

11:00 AM – 12:00 PM. Sacred music performance at Kaunas Memorial Christ's Resurrection church (31A Zemaitis Street).

2:00 PM. Competition results, award give away and performance of the winner choir at Kaunas Military Officers Club (19 A. Mickėvičius Street).



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[Download roles of the compulsory piece \(.pdf\)](#)

List of Participants of Previous "Juventus" Competitions

	1968	1970	1972	1975	1979	1983	1987	1997
The Lomonosov Moscow State University Choir, Russia	🏆							🏆
University of Latvia mixed choir "Jaunietis", Latvia								🏆
Kaunas University of Technology mixed choir "Jaunystė", Lithuania								🏆
Rīga Medical Institute choir "Rīga", Latvia								🏆
St. Petersburg State University choir, Russia								🏆
Tallin students choir, Estonia								🏆
Chamber choir of Kiev Polytechnical Institute, Ukraine								🏆
Chamber choir of Belarusian State University, Belarus								🏆
St Petersburg State Institute of Technology choir, Russia								🏆
Vilnius University choir, Lithuania								🏆
Samara State Aerospace University choir, Russia								🏆
Petrozavodsk State University choir, Russia								🏆
National Research Tomsk Polytechnical University choir, Russia								🏆
Lithuanian University of Educational Sciences choir "Ave Via"								🏆
Saint Petersburg State Electrotechnical University choir, Russia								🏆
Choir of Vilnius Gediminas Technical University "Gabija", Lithuania								🏆
Taras Shevchenko National University of Kyiv choir "Drizor", Ukraine								🏆
Choir "Narė" of Lithuanian University of Health Sciences								🏆
Lviv Polytechnic National University chamber choir, Ukraine								🏆
I. N. Ulanov Chuvash State University chamber choir, Russia								🏆
Ural State Technical University chamber choir, Russia								🏆
N. I. Lobachevsky State University of Nizhny Novgorod choir, Russia								🏆
Novosibirsk State Technical University choir, Russia								🏆
Estonian University of Life Sciences choir								🏆
Kazan (Volga region) Federal University choir, Russia								🏆
Yerevan State University, Armenia								🏆
Fern State Natural Research University choir, Russia								🏆
Tallinn Pedagogical University choir, Estonia								🏆
Sykytykar State University choir, Russia								🏆
Kemerovo State University choir, Russia								🏆
Yerevan State Musical Conservatory choir "Komitas", Armenia								🏆
Lithuanian University of Agriculture choir "Daina"								🏆
Vilnius Academy of Arts choir, Lithuania								🏆
Tartu students choir, Estonia								🏆
Rovensk University mixed choir "Sontsun", Latvia								🏆
Rīga chamber choir "Tortas", Latvia								🏆
The Stockholm School of Economics choir, Latvia								🏆

Rules and Regulations

Introduction

The 9th international competition of academic mixed choirs "Juventus 2013" will take place in Kaunas, Lithuania, on 10–12 May, 2013.

Aim of the competition

The main objectives are to cherish traditions of "Juventus" international competitions, improve skills of choral singing and develop creative communication among international academic choirs.

Competition Rules

- Competition structure**
 - "Juventus 2013" competition has mandatory a cappella programme.
- Participation regulations**
 - Only academic mixed choirs with 16 to 40 amateur singers, consisting from at least 75% of students may apply. Professional and solo singers are not allowed to perform during the competition.
 - Every participant choir performs live a cappella programme of 4 songs.
 - Every choir participating in competition also performs one freely chosen (that may or may not be a part of competition programme) song in "Juventus 2013" opening concert on May 10.
 - Any choir might be disqualified from competition for violation of any rule listed in Rules and Regulations.
 - Participants may also perform an optional 10-15 minutes length sacred music repertoire of their choice in one of Kaunas churches.
- Mandatory programme a cappella**
 - The programme of each choir should obligatory include:
 - Compulsory piece – "Dainė" by Zita Bruzaitė (2013), lyrics A. Štormi. [Download rules \(.pdf\)](#)
 - Contemporary choral piece (composed in 20th – 21st century);
 - A national song;
 - Freely chosen choral piece.
 - The total duration of choir's performance on the stage should not exceed 15 minutes, including pauses between pieces.
 - All pieces are sung a cappella, without using microphones and unaccompanied.
 - Submitted competition programme cannot be changed after applicant choir is approved for participation in the competition.
 - The order of the performed songs is up to the conductor's choice.
 - Participants, with an exception for choir conductor, are not allowed to enter competition hall for a rehearsal before the competition.
 - The order of the choirs' performance will be chosen by lot, drawn by a Commission appointed by the organizers.

Choir evaluation

- The choir performances will be evaluated by an International Jury, consisting of 5 persons.
- Evaluation criteria:
 - Singing technique and sound quality;
 - Intonation and rhythm;
 - Expression and stylistics;
 - Programme choice, its dramaturgy.
- Choir evaluation varies from 50 to 100 points.
- 1 point for every additional 15 seconds of performance will be withdrawn from the total result of each choir who does not comply total duration of performance rule.
- The Jury decisions are final and irrevocable. The Jury does not provide any written explanations.
- The Jury has the right not to award first, second or third place at all, in case there are no choirs that scored over the minimum points mark for that place.

Prizes

- I place** – Golden Diploma (95–100 points) and 2000€.
 - II place** – Silver Diploma (90–95 points) and 1000€.
 - III place** – Bronze Diploma (85–90 points) and 500€.
- The Jury may award additional special prizes.

General rules

- Choirs wishing to take part in the competition should submit an online application form before 1 March 2013.
- Participation fee is 150€.
- Applicant choirs will receive an email with confirmation from the organizers before 8 March 2013. Until 15 March 2013 every confirmed participant choir must:
 - Transfer registration fee (150€) to the organizers bank account;
 - Send an email with scanned or electronic bank check attached, that confirms the transfer.
 - Send an email with a digital photo of the choir in good quality (at least 1024x768 pixels) and short description of the choir (approx. half of the page).
 - Send 5 printed black and white copies of each choral piece selected for the choir's competition programme.
- The organizers do not cover choirs' accommodation, food or any other expenses.
- The organizers reserves all rights to any video and audio recordings, made during the competition, and its publishing and distribution.

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Jury

Performances will be evaluated by the International Jury:

- Jury chairmen composer conductor **Vaolovs Augustinas** (Lithuania);
- Founder of "Juventus" competitions conductor **Robertas Vernas** (Lithuania);
- Chairperson of The Lithuanian Composers' Union composer **Zita Bruzaitė** (Lithuania);
- Composer, Duke University Mary D.B.T. and James H. Sarner's Professor of Music Composition **Stephen Jaffe** (NC, USA);
- Conductor Professor **Romana Vanege** (Riga, Latvia).

Results

"Juventus" 2013 participants by the places taken:

Note: The International Jury, according to accumulated points, decided not to grant second place for any choir.

Choir Name	Place	Votes
University of Latvia academic mixed choir "Juventus" (Riga, Latvia)	I	5
Kaunas University of Technology academic mixed choir "Jaunystė" (Kaunas, Lithuania)	II	4
Vilnius Gedimino Technical University academic mixed choir "Gabija" (Vilnius, Lithuania)	III	3
Lithuanian University of Health Sciences Medical Academy academic mixed choir "Neris" (Kaunas, Lithuania)	IV	2
Vilnius University academic mixed choir "Gaudėmuas" (Vilnius, Lithuania)	V	1
Vilniaus University Kaunas Faculty of Humanities academic mixed choir "Veni gaudere" (Kaunas, Lithuania)	VI	0
Aleksandras Stulginskis University academic mixed choir "Daina" (Kaunas, Lithuania)	VI	0

Accommodation

Information for participants

Participant choirs will spend two nights in Kaunas during the competition. The organizers of Juventus 2013 do not cover accommodation or food expenses. However, according to information provided in your application form, organizers will make required amount of hotel or hoster reservations.

In case you choose to book accommodation on your own, the organizers recommends to select hotel or hoster located near Kaunas State Philharmonic (L. Sapiegos street 5, LT - 44252, Kaunas) and III Building of Kaunas University of Technology (Laisves av. 13, LT-44238, Kaunas), where main competition events will take place. Early booking of accommodation is highly recommended, since plentiful amount of participants and guests is expected during the competition.

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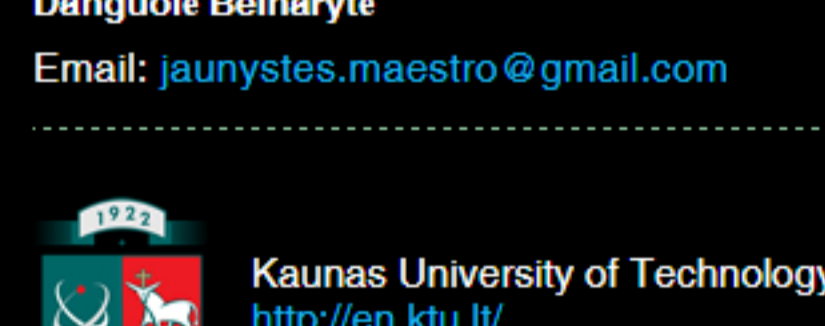


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