The Central Ohio Flute Association
2015 Flute Festival Competition – Junior, Senior, Collegiate, and Young Artist Divisions

The Central Ohio Flute Association at The Ohio State University will sponsor its thirty-second annual Flute Competition on April 18, 2015, at The Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio. The purpose of this competition is to encourage excellence of performance and to recognize outstanding flutists. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first-place winners of each division as follows: Junior High – $200, Senior High – $300, Collegiate – $400, and Young Artist – $500. Winners may be invited to play in the guest artist master class at Flute Festival 2015.

APPLICATIONS: Can be downloaded at http://cofa.osu.edu or requested by e-mail to e-torres@onu.edu.

ELIGIBILITY:
• Young Artist Division: Must be 30 years of age or under as of April 18, 2015.
• Collegiate Division: Must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate degree program and 23 years of age or under as of April 18, 2015.
• Senior Division: Must be a full-time student in grades 10, 11, or 12.
• Junior Division: Must be a full-time student in grades 6, 7, 8, or 9.

AUDITION PROCEDURES:
1. A preliminary audition must be submitted on compact disc and must include the required tape selection from the contestant’s age division. No other media will be accepted. Recordings must be unedited. Please record a separate track for each movement in multi-movement works. Deadline: All application materials must be postmarked by February 20, 2015.

2. Three flutists from each division* will be chosen to appear in the Final Round on April 18, 2015. Notification of advancement to the Final Round will be made by e-mail no later than March 20, 2015, at which time finalists and alternates will be asked to immediately provide a publicity photo (300dpi .pdf, .jpg, or .tif files) and 400-character biography for the COFA website and program. If you have not heard the results by March 20, 2015, please contact Erin Torres at e-torres@onu.edu.

3. During the final round, held on April 18, 2015, each of the three finalists must FIRST perform the required selection for the Final Round. The remainder of the program shall be chosen by the finalist but CANNOT include the required Tape Round selection. The choice of programming may influence the judges’ decision. Programs in the Final Round may not exceed 10 minutes for the Junior division, 15 minutes for the Senior division, and 20 minutes for the Collegiate and Young Artist divisions. Finalists must provide three copies of each piece for the judges. (The judges do not need originals)

ACCOMPANIST: Contestants appearing in the Final Round may be accompanied by his/her own accompanist or may use a COFA-provided pianist for an additional $85 fee.

APPLICATION FEE: A check for $40, payable to COFA, must accompany the application form. If any part of the application form is left incomplete, the applicant will be disqualified. Program selections for the Final Round must be included on the application form.

REPertoire REQUIREMENTS:
A. JUNIOR DIVISION
  Required Selection for Tape: Katherine Hoover – Winter Spirits
  Required Selection for Finals: Georges Brun – Romance for Flute and Piano, Op. 41

B. SENIOR DIVISION
  Required Selection for Tape: Arthur Honegger – Danse de la Chèvre
  Required Selection for Finals: Jules Mouquet – La Flûte de Pan, Op. 15 (Mvmt. 1: Pan et les bergers ONLY)

C. COLLEGIATE DIVISION
  Required Selection for Tape: Paul Hindemith – Acht Stucke
  Required Selection for Finals: Carl Reinecke – Ballade, Op. 288

D. YOUNG ARTIST DIVISION
  Required Selection for Tape: Lowell Liebermann – Soliloquy, Op. 44
  Required Selection for Finals: John Rutter – Suite Antique (Mvmt. 4: Waltz ONLY)

* COFA reserves the right to cancel the competition for any division that does not have enough qualified contestants.

AUDITION RECORDING INSTRUCTIONS:
The preliminary audition must be a high-quality CD recording and must contain NO writing at all on the CD. The proper return address must appear only on the outer package. No recordings will be returned. Applications must be postmarked no later than February 20, 2015. The official application form AND the fee of $40 must be included.

APPLICATION DEADLINE: February 20, 2015
2015 Central Ohio Flute Association Annual Competition
Application Form

Name ________________________________ Phone __________________
Address __________________________________________________________
City ___________________________ State _______________ Zip ____________
E-mail address
School Attending ____________________________________________________ Grade _______ Age ______

Private Teacher ___________________________ Address ______________________
City ___________________________ State _______ Zip ____________ Phone ______________________
E-mail address ____________________________________________________________

Check One: _____ Junior   _____ Senior     _____ Collegiate   _____ Young Artist

How did you learn about the COFA Competition? ______________________________

NOTE: Contestants may use their own accompanist in the Final Round or an accompanist provided by COFA ($85 fee to be paid immediately upon notification of advancement to the Final Round). A notice of performance time and other pertinent information will be sent to all contestants chosen to appear in the Final Round. The winners may also be invited to perform in the Festival Master Class the following year.

I will use the accompanist provided by COFA: _____ YES  _____ NO

Program Selections for the Final Round (MUST BE INCLUDED ON THIS APPLICATION):

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The undersigned verify the following:
1. If selected as a finalist, the flutist will appear in Columbus, Ohio, on April 18, 2015.
2. The flutist is applying for competition in the appropriate division.
3. A first-place winner may not compete again in the same division; however, previous junior division first-place winners may enter the senior division, even if not yet in 10th grade.
4. The flutist will not identify him/herself or include any writing on the compact disc.
5. Any photographs, including publicity photographs provided in the final round, may be used for publicity purposes, including publicity via the World Wide Web, at The Ohio State University, and that information may be forwarded to publications of interest to musicians, including, but not limited to: Flute Talk and The Flutist Quarterly.

Date: ___________________ Student Signature: ________________________________

Parent Signature: ________________________________
(not required for Collegiate or Young Artist)

Please mail your COMPLETED application form, $40 application fee, and compact disc recording to:
Dr. Erin Torres
Ohio Northern University
Music Department
525 S. Main St.
Ada, OH 45810

Questions about the COFA Competition may be directed to: Erin Torres at e-torres@onu.edu.

This form and the accompanying recording must be postmarked no later than **February 20, 2015**. Please DO NOT send your materials in such a way that a signature is required for delivery.

*COFA is a non-profit, student-run organization.*