The Central Ohio Flute Association
2014 Flute Festival Competition – Junior, Senior, Collegiate, and Young Artist Divisions

The Central Ohio Flute Association at The Ohio State University will sponsor its thirty-first annual Flute Competition on April 5, 2014, 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 – $150, Senior High – $250, Collegiate – $350, and Young Artist – $450. 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 from torreseh@mail.uc.edu.

Eligibility:
• Young Artist Division: Must be 30 years of age or under as of April 5, 2014.
• Collegiate Division: Must be enrolled full-time in an undergraduate degree program and 23 years of age or under as of April 5, 2014.
• 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 1, 2014.
2. Three flutists from each division* will be chosen to appear in the Final Round on April 5, 2014. Notification of advancement to the Final Round will be made by e-mail no later than March 8, 2014, 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 8, 2014, please contact Erin Torres at torreseh@mail.uc.edu.
3. During the final round, held on April 5, 2014, 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, excluding the required final round selections.

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: Robert Muczynski - Three Preludes for unaccompanied flute, Op. 18 *
   Required Selection for Finals: Ernest Bloch – “Suite Modale”, mvt. 4
B. SENIOR DIVISION
   Required Selection for Tape: Cyril Scott – The Ecstatic Shepherd (without piano accompaniment)
   Required Selection for Finals: Paul Taffanel – Andante Pastorale et Scherzettino
C. COLLEGIATE DIVISION
   Required Selection for Tape: Edgard Varèse – Density 21.5 AND J.S. Bach – Partita in A Minor, Sarabande only
D. YOUNG ARTIST DIVISION
   Required Selection for Tape: Friedrich Kuhlau – Divertissement No. 5 (without piano accompaniment)
   Required Selection for Finals: Franz Schubert – Introduction and Variations on “Trockne Blumen”, Intro, Theme, Variation 1, 5, 7

* 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 1, 2014. The official application form AND the fee of $40 must be included.
2014 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 5, 2014.
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, COFA Competition Coordinator
1585 Spring Park Walk
Cincinnati, OH 45215

Questions about the COFA Competition may be directed to: Erin Torres at torreseh@mail.uc.edu

This form and the accompanying recording must be postmarked no later than February 1, 2014. Please DO NOT send your materials in such a way that a signature is required for delivery.

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