



**XIII INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG
VOCALISTS "GOLD LEAF" 2024**

REGULATION

PÄRNU, ESTONIA

16.-20. OCTOBER 2024

ORGANIZER - NGO Kuldleheke

PURPOSE OF THE FESTIVAL

Kuldleheke is a competition-festival for vocal soloists organized by NGO Kuldleheke in cooperation with Pärnu School of Arts. The competition takes place in the category of pop-jazz and classical singing, which is evaluated by an international jury of 3-5 members.

The festival is intended for children and young people, whose activities are related to the enrichment of competences in the field of interest.

We want to give the participants the opportunity to perform, gain experience, present themselves to the organizers of international competitions and offer a chance for a musical experience. Instructors have the opportunity to share practical and methodical work experiences.

Through the festival, there is an opportunity to strengthen international ties and perform at concerts held in schools in the city of Pärnu.

TIME AND PLACE

16 – 20 OCTOBER 2024

Pärnu School of Arts, Pärnu Town Hall

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Pop-jazz category

- One song will be performed at the competition, **the length of the song must not exceed 4 minutes.**
- Either one accompanying instrument or a phonogram can be used to accompany the song.
- It is allowed to use 1-2 background singers.
- The song selection can be changed no later than October 1, 2024, the request must be notified to the e-mail address kuldleheke@gmail.com.
- Up to two soloists can participate from each instructor in each age category.
- A total of 15 soloists can register for each age group.
- The organizer reserves the right to make changes in the number of participants.
- **Age levels:**
 - ❖ I age group: 7-9
 - ❖ II age group: 10 – 12
 - ❖ III age group: 13 – 15
 - ❖ IV age group: 16 – 18
 - ❖ V age group: 19 – 22
- **The registration deadline is August 19, 2024.**
- **Pop-jazz category** [REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Classical singing category

- Two songs will be performed at the competition - one classical song of your choice and another classical song written by a composer from your country.
- A piano or some other acoustic instrument can be used to accompany the song.
- The performance is without amplification and phonograms are not allowed.
- A total of 10 soloists can register for each age group.
- The organizer reserves the right to make changes in the number of participants.
- **Age levels:**
 - ❖ I age group: 12 – 14
 - ❖ II age group: 15 – 17
 - ❖ III age group: 18 – 22
- **Performance duration:**
 - ❖ I age group - up to 6 min.
 - ❖ II age group - up to 8 min.
 - ❖ III age group - up to 10 min.
- Sheet music deadline is September 1, 2024 at the latest.
- **The registration deadline is August 19, 2024.**
- **Classical singing category [REGISTRATION FORM](#)**

BASIS OF JURY WORK AND ASSESSMENT

- The participants are evaluated by an international jury, which assesses the interpretation, artistry, suitability of the song for the performer, purity of intonation, cooperation with the concertmaster.
- In all age groups, I - III place and 3 laureates will be announced.
- The jury has the right to award special prizes.

- The Grand Prix is chosen at the finals of the competition, where the winners of all age groups perform their song again.
- In classical singing, the Grand Prix is awarded based on the jury's decision.

PARTICIPATION FEE

The participation fee in the pop-jazz category is 80 €, in the classical singing category 50€.

If the participant takes part in both categories, the participation fee is 100 €.

For the participant as a background singer, the fee is 30 €.

A participant who takes part as a soloist does not have to pay a separate backing singer fee.

There is an opportunity to use the organizer's concert master, an additional fee of 50 €.

An additional fee for changing a track after October 1 is 10 €.

Video recording of the performance is 15 €, link with photos 10 €.

The participation fee payment deadline is October 1, 2024.

Bank details:

Payee: MTÜ Kuldleheke

Account: a/a EE057700771010369374

Explanation: Participant's name, Kuldleheke

Accommodation:

Discounted accommodation for the participants of the competition is offered by St. Peterburg Hotel <https://www.stpeterburg.ee>

When booking, please notify the artistic director of the competition festival (Evelin Mei) of your request to receive a discounted price.

CONTACTS

Artistic director: Evelin Mei - kuldleheke@gmail.com / phone +3725010953

Pop-jazz: Anne Uusna - anne.uusna@kunstidekool.parnu.ee

Classical singing: Aita Kaaver - aita.kaaver@kunstidekool.parnu.ee

THE PROGRAM

October 16	Arrival Opening of the competition
October 17	Classical song rehearsal and competition School concerts in Pärnu city schools Sound check for soloists in the pop-jazz category Awarding classical song soloists Jury's feedback and instructors of the classical competition Discussion group of teachers
October 18	Pop-jazz category competition School concerts of classical music in schools of the city of Pärnu Activities for the young people.
19 October	Pop-jazz category competition continues Jury's feedback to the singers-supervisors Festival finale, closing, awarding of the pop-jazz category
20 October	Departure

PS: The detailed schedule will be announced before the event.