

**2019**  
**NATIONAL FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS JR. COMPOSERS CONTEST**  
**STATE OF OHIO \*OFMC\* 2019 RULES**

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**For the State of Ohio, you are required to read these rules, abide by them, and verify on the application form that you have read these rules with your teacher and your parent(s)/legal guardian(s).** Make sure you are using the *2019 Rules and Application!* Older applications cannot be accepted.

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**ELIGIBILITY:**

1. The composer must be 18 years old or younger as of January 15 of the contest year.
2. The composer must be a member in good standing of a Junior Club affiliated with OFMC, or an Individual Junior Special member of OFMC, with dues **already paid** by the applicable deadline for the contest year. *This means:* that the composer's teacher must be a member of a Senior OFMC Club, with dues paid and current for the contest year OR the composer's teacher must be a Senior Special member, with dues **already paid** by the applicable deadline for the contest year. Membership dues that have not already been paid by the teacher (whether by being a member of a Senior club or a Special Member) by the applicable 2018 deadline and paid applicable late fees, if needed, AND membership dues that have not already been paid by the composer (whether by being a member of a Federated Jr. Music Club or Special Member) will **disqualify** your application.

**ALL DUES MUST HAVE BEEN PAID BY DEADLINE OF THE PREVIOUS YEAR OF SUBMISSION IN ORDER TO PARTICIPATE.** Note: If you have a question about the teacher's membership or the composer's membership, please contact your local senior club.

**TYPE OF ENTRY:**

1. Compositions may be for keyboard, voice, other instruments or any combination. All compositions must be submitted first to the State Chairman.
2. The composition must be the original work of the composer. Obtaining copyright release for the verse, if necessary, is the responsibility of the composer.
3. All compositions must be notated clearly by the student or computer generated by the student in PDF (one file only) form only. Entrants must email the composition and download the MP3 to meet the deadline of January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Although your entry is electronic, please note **you will need to mail ONE 8 x 11 envelope to receive your booklet and certificates.**
4. Compositions with multiple instrumentation, including vocals, must be on the MP3.
5. Entrant classifications are: JI: through age 9; JII – ages 10-12; JIII – ages 13-15; JIV-ages 16-18 (as of January 15 of the contest year). Note: National first place winners in any class may not win in that class again. **CONTENT AND MUSICIANSHIP** will be taken into account when judged. **\*\*See below.**
6. Keep a copy of your composition in case of loss in the mail. Please follow rules carefully and **EMAIL your entry by January 15, 2019.**

Note: After the State Contest is completed, the 1st and 2nd place winners are forwarded to the Regional Chairman, to be received by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Regional winners are selected and forwarded to the National Chairman to be received by April 1<sup>st</sup> for final adjudication and awarding of cash prizes. *You may not receive results before May 1<sup>st</sup>*

## **RULES:**

1. The composer, teacher, and parents **must** read the 2019 Rules for the Ohio Application form. Rules “may” be different from year to year! **Please read rules carefully so as not to be disqualified.**
2. All Classes must be annotated on manuscript paper by the entrant or Computer-generated by the entrant. (see below) The State Chairman must receive:
  - a. \$3 “STAMPED” envelope and Entry check mailed and POSTMARKED by the deadline 1/15/19. Nothing else needs to be mailed to the State Chair. **Postal Regulations prohibit the use of metered postage for return mail. Use regular stamps**
  - b. Emails of **MP3** recording by 1/15/19 midnight. A recording on a MP3 is **REQUIRED** at all levels. This should be a **“SEPARATE” file**.
  - c. Emails of a **“SEPARATE” PDF** file of the student’s composition. Send **ONE FILE** vs separate pages
  - d. Email of the completed and signed OFMC form in a **“SEPARATE” PDF** file.. Please type or use pen so that the PDF is legible.
  - e. Email of the completed and signed NFMC form in a **“SEPARATE” PDF** file. Please type or use pen so that the PDF is legible.
3. Only one composition per entrant may be submitted. Lengthy compositions may be edited for publication in the Ohio Jr. Composers book. Class winners should be willing to have their compositions performed at the OFMC State Convention either by composer or someone else. See #2 and #3 below.

## **SUBMITTING YOUR APPLICATION:**

1. a) COMPLETE the 2019 State of Ohio application from the ofmc.org website.  
b) Complete the **National JR 7-2 form** *in addition* to the Ohio application. This can be found on the www.NFMC-music.org Website. Also, download **National JR 7-1 form** as it gives additional information that has been updated for this year. (In the search bar enter: Jr. Composers. Then under Publications, select Jr. Composer Contest Application). Print the forms.  
c) Teachers should download JR 7-3 from the NFMC website to view the judging criteria and review the composition with your student before sending.
2. In the State of Ohio, a booklet containing the compositions of the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> place winners in each category will be published. Your submission to this competition “automatically” is stating that you AGREE to have your composition published in the Ohio Jr. Composition Booklet without compensation and you are “automatically” agreeing to release the copyright for the publication in this Booklet. NOTE: If your composition receives 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> place in your category, you are also agreeing to perform your composition, or have it performed at the OFMC State Convention in October.
3. Mail:
  - a) One 8x11 SASE envelope with \$3.00 return postage in STAMPS, “inside of” a larger envelope address as below.
  - b) Include your check or money order payable to OFMC Jr. Division for \$20.Mail to: Christina Sidaras, Chairman  
OFMC Junior Composers Contest  
645 Vine Street  
Brookville, Ohio 45309  
Deadline: **Postmarked 1/15/19**
4. **FEES: The total application fee is \$20.00 total.** (This includes State Fee (\$15) and National Fee (\$5). Make checks out to: OFMC Jr. Division.

New registration

Previous registration

**OHIO FEDERATION OF MUSIC CLUBS JR. COMPOSERS CONTEST**

**2019 OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

After reading the Jr. Composers 2019 Contest *Rules*, follow the directions for submitting your application.

Student's **Printed** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Best contact phone number ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

Boy \_\_\_\_\_ Girl \_\_\_\_\_

Age on January 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019 \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday \_\_\_\_\_ (m/d/yyyy) City and State of your birth \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Classification:    Class 1        Class 2        Class 3        Class 4  
                                 **(circle one)**    (9 and under)    (10-12)    (13-15)    (16-18)

I attend OFMC Jr. Festivals in District:    1A 1B 1C II IIIA IIIC IIID IIIE IIIF IIIG IVA IVB  
                                 **(circle one)**

Composition Teacher's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teacher's Senior OFMC club: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Teacher's Jr. Music Club you belong to: \_\_\_\_\_

Title of Composition: \_\_\_\_\_ (printed)

Instrumentation: \_\_\_\_\_ Performance Time: \_\_\_\_\_