University of Missouri – St. Louis
Virtual Young Artist Competition
2020 Junior Division Guidelines

Eligibility and requirements:

- High school students (including home-school) from Missouri and neighboring states*
- Community/Junior college students from Missouri and neighboring states*
- Wide variety of solo pieces, one movement of a Concerto with piano accompaniment of approximately 10-20 minutes in length. Questions about repertoire should be directed well ahead of time to the Young Artist Competition Committee at voskoboynikovaa@umsl.edu

Video Submission:

- The Competition is by video only, submitted online (unlisted on YouTube)
- Application (online submission) and video must be received on or before Friday, November 20,2020.
- Memorization is recommended, but not required. Concertos must be performed with piano accompaniment.
- All videos will be reviewed by the UMSL Concerto Competition Committee.
- One copy of the score, with measure numbered and cuts marked, must be provided for the judges.
- Finalists will be announced via email on Tuesday, December 1st.

Winner:

- Decision of the judges is final. Director of UMSL Orchestra, Darwin Aquino, along with two other members of the UMSL faculty will determine the winner of the Junior Division. (UMSL faculty who are private instructors of any participant are ineligible to serve as a judge.)
- Winner(s) will appear in the Spring 2020 Winners Gala Concert as a soloist, or a duo performance member in the Lee Theater of the Touhill Performance Arts Center.

UMSL Young Artist Competition Committee:

Alla Voskoboynikova, Chair  
Director of Keyboard Studies

Darwin Aquino  
Director of UMSL Orchestra

Lisa Blackmore  
Professor of Trumpet

Joanna Mendoza  
Arianna String Quartet, Professor of Viola

Julia Sakharova  
Arianna String Quartet, Professor of Violin

*“Neighboring states” is defined as states that are members of the Midwest Student Exchange Program (MSEP): Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, North Dakota, and Wisconsin. Any travel expenses incurred for participants/winners are the responsibility of those individuals.