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On the occasion of the *Weimar Spring Festival for Contemporary Music 2010*, the *via nova* - zeitgenössische Musik in Thüringen e.V. hereby initiates an international composition contest.

Requirements

Applicants are expected to present material composed for the following instruments: **violin, violoncello, horn, clarinet, marimba** and **piano**. The composition might be written for minimum 3 instruments. All in all, it should take no longer than **10 minutes** at the maximum to perform the composition. The exact time needed has to be noted on all scores submitted. The composition may already have been premiered but must not have been published, recorded nor previously have won a prize. Composers, which have been awarded of previous contests of the Weimarer Frühjahrstage, are excluded.

Ultimately, a jury consisting of renowned composers and members of the contest-ensemble (*Ensemble en plythos*) will award a prize to 4-5 works after nonpublic deliberation during the festival. The decision reached by the jury will be considered final and may not be challenged by recourse to legal means. The jury is also free to decide against awarding a prize.

Prize money amounting to a sum total of **6.000 €**, to be subdivided between the winners of the festival contests, will be made available once the consent of *via nova's* supporters is forthcoming.

The contest may only be entered anonymously. Every composer has to submit material that is easily legible. Said material will eventually pass into the possession of *via nova* e.V. once the concert has been staged.

In order to apply, a candidate is required to submit five bound copies of his/her score. The materials have to be marked with a codeword but must not bear any hint as to the identity of its author or this author's background. A sealed envelope, bearing the codeword, has to accompany the application separately. This has to contain the contestant's name, address, contact, date of birth, citizenship and an overview of his/her creative activities so far. In addition, it has to include the author's permission that the work submitted may be performed, recorded and broadcasted by a radio station, as well as a declaration stating that the candidate is the sole author of the composition.

Closing date for application to enter the contest is **December 31, 2010**.

Applicants who have succeeded in entering will be notified of this fact by February 1, 2011. After receiving this notification, all candidates are expected to provide all material necessary for the performance of their composition by March 1, 2011, and furthermore are explicitly required to be present during the entire festival as well as to publicly introduce their work. These conditions are automatically consented to by submitting a composition.

Contestants will then have to pay a fee of 80 €, payable by February 15, 2011, at the latest, which will cover all costs for lodgings and allow them free entry to all activities at the festival.

The program providing detailed information about the various activities in connection with the festival, e.g. lectures, seminars, symposia, and concerts, will be available in January 2011.

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