

Cambridge University Concerto Competition 2022

Applications are invited for the opportunity to perform a concerto with Cambridge University Orchestra (CUO), Cambridge University Sinfonia (CUS), Cambridge University Wind Orchestra (CUWO) in the academic year 2020-21. Applicants must be in statu pupillari at Cambridge University at the time of the auditions. You do not have to be in statu pupillari for the academic year 2022-23.

There will be 2 rounds of auditions. The first round will be held in West Road Concert Hall on Friday 4 February 2022 (between 11:30am - 5:30pm). Candidates are asked to prepare one whole movement or two whole movements lasting no more than 10 minutes from a concerto, to perform to the panel. If you are successful in the competition you can choose a different concerto to perform next season. No accompanist will be provided; candidates must organise and bring their own accompanist. Pianists must also provide an accompanist for their audition. The panel may also conduct a brief interview with each candidate.

The final round will be held on Tuesday 15 February 2022 as part of the Cambridge University Lunchtime Concert series. It will be an extended concert so please be available from 12.30pm - 2.30pm. The finalists will be asked to perform a movement lasting no more than 10 minutes from a concerto to perform to the panel and the public audience. This can be the same movement(s) as performed in the first round. No accompanist will be provided; candidates must organise and bring their own accompanist. Pianists should also provide an accompanist.

Candidates should send their CV, together with a formal letter of application, by email to Will Rose, wr268@cam.ac.uk, by 9.00 AM on Friday 28 January 2022. All applicants will be able to take part in the first round of auditions. Please include details of the movement and concerto you will be performing and the name of your accompanist. Please note: applications received after the above time will not be considered.

There is a small budget to cover travel expenses and accommodation for winners who will not be in Cambridge at the time of their performance. This must be organised at the time of acceptance. For details, please contact Chloe Davidson, cnd26@cam.ac.uk.

We look forward to receiving your applications!

With all very best wishes,
The CUMS Team