

## Frequently Asked Questions

### Jarrold Radnich's Pirates of the Caribbean Piano Competition

Q: I am under 13 years of age. How do I enter?

A: Please have your parent or guardian complete the entry for you. Make sure that they read the Official Rules. We do not want to collect contact information for anyone under the age of 13, so make sure that we have the contact information (phone, email, etc.) for your parent or guardian instead of you.

Q: My piano teacher wants to enter several of his/her students in the contest. Is this allowed?

A: We encourage piano instructors to enter their students! Please make sure that they read the Official Rules and get permission from any minor aged performer's parent or guardian before entry. There is only one entry per performer, but the same teacher can enter as many of his/her students as he/she wishes.

Q: Do I have to purchase the official sheet music in order to enter?

A: The piece that you are required to perform to the best of your ability is Jarrold Radnich's copyrighted arrangement. While most performers already have purchased the official sheet music from Jarrold's online store, entrants are not required to purchase the sheet music in order to enter. You can listen to the free streaming audio of Jarrold's performance on ReverbNation at [www.reverbNation.com/jarroldradnich](http://www.reverbNation.com/jarroldradnich) or you can listen to and watch Jarrold performing the official piece on YouTube at <http://youtu.be/n4JD-3-UAzM> at no cost.

Q: Where can I find the official sheet music for the required piece?

A: It is available at <http://jarroldradnich.com/3dcartstores.com>

Q: Which age category group should I be in?

A: The age of the performer at the time of entry is the age that we use when determining age categories. Age category 1 is for all performers under the age of 13 years old. Age category 2 is for all performers who are at least 13, but not yet 18 years old. Age category 3 is for all performers who are 18 years of age or older.

Q: Why does voting not start until August 6<sup>th</sup>?

A: We want to give all the entrants adequate time to practice their performance and record a video that they are please to enter. So we want to start voting when all the submissions are in and have been verified for eligibility.

Q: Is there an advantage to entering early instead of on the last day?

A: There are some advantages to not waiting until the last minute to enter. Because there are a lot of rules, if your entry is disqualified and you have entered early enough, you have a chance to re-enter before the

deadline. Also, you have more time to let your family and friends know about your video so that when voting starts they are ready to vote.

Q: How often can the same person vote?

A: One vote per day is allowed per person. A day is determined as a 24-hour time period starting at a second past midnight and continuing until midnight the next day all in Pacific Daylight Savings time.

Q: How will I get my \$5 Gift Card to Jarrod Radnich's online store?

A: Using the email address you provide in your registration, we will email you a gift card. This means that you will not get the card in the mail. You (or your parent/guardian) will receive a link to your card by email.

Q: Is there a fee to enter the contest?

A: No! Entering the contest has no fees.

Q: The rules require me to disable comments, video responses, and that others can view ratings on my video before submitting it. How do I do this?

A: After you upload your video on YouTube, go to the Advanced Settings "tab" for the video. Uncheck ALL the boxes under "Comments and Responses"

Q: My entry was disqualified. May I try again to enter?

A: If there is enough time for you to try again, then you may certainly do so. Please read through the rules carefully so you meet the requirements. If the issue was a setting in YouTube (such as you forgot to disable commenting) or there was missing information in your entry, then you can use the same video if you want to.

Q: I live in a country that is not the United States of America. If I am a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner in my age category, will you still send me the certificate and signed sheet music?

A: Our winners are very important to us! We will send the certificate and signed sheet music to whatever address you give us, including military APOs. Before we send anything, we will try to contact you by email to verify your shipping address.

Q: I am a minor and I want to enter, but none of my parents or legal guardians will let me enter. How can I enter?

A: While we wish everyone could enter, if you are a minor and none of your parents (or legal guardians) will let you enter, then you are not allowed to enter.