

i Coristi Chamber Choir

Competition in Choral Composition

i Coristi Chamber Choir is proud to support the composition of new Canadian works for choir through this new, biennial competition. The winning composition will be chosen by a blind jury and will be performed at one of i Coristi's 2017/2018 season concerts. The winning composer will receive a prize of CAD \$1,000 and an archival recording of the performance.

About the choir

i Coristi Chamber Choir is a 24-voice choir based in Edmonton, AB, now entering its 23rd season. Membership is by audition and encompasses a broad cross section of the population: accountants, teachers, computer programmers, nanotechnologists, designers, theologians, administrators, office personnel—singers for whom music is their vocation, and singers for whom music is their avocation!

The name *i Coristi* is Italian, meaning "the choral singers". Noted for its unique, eclectic programming, the choir focuses on *a cappella* masterpieces from the Renaissance to the 21st century, presented in three main concerts each season; the choir also performs at seniors' facilities and various local businesses and gatherings.

Awarded second prize three times (2006, 2008, 2011) and first prize in 2013 in the Chamber Choir category of the National Competition for Canadian Amateur Choirs, i Coristi has been heard on national and regional broadcasts of CBC Radio, has performed with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra, toured across Canada and overseas, and been invited to perform in Toronto and Winnipeg at the national biennial conferences, Podium, of the Association of Canadian Choral Communities.

Rules & Regulations

1. Canadian citizens and permanent residents living in Canada are eligible to submit entries.
2. Submissions must be original compositions (not arrangements) that are unpublished and have not yet been performed.
3. Pieces must be approximately 4 to 5 minutes in length, for *a cappella* SATB choir; 2-part or occasional 3-part divisi is acceptable.
4. The composer must have obtained the necessary permissions to set copyrighted texts.
5. If a winning entry is selected, i Coristi Chamber Choir will award the composer a prize of CAD \$1,000, will perform the work at one concert in its 2017/2018 season and will make available to the composer a copy of the archival recording.
6. All entrants retain copyright to submitted pieces. I Coristi Chamber Choir will retain the exclusive performance rights to the winning piece for one year following the awarding of the prize, as well as perpetual recording and mechanical rights.
7. Application deadline is July 31, 2017. A winner will be selected and announced by August 31, 2017.
8. i Coristi Chamber Choir reserves the right not to select a winning entry.

Application Procedure

1. A PDF of the score must be submitted to contact@icoristi.com. Please remove all identifying marks from the score (i.e. composer's name).
2. If the piece uses a copyrighted text, please provide proof that permission has been received to set the text. (Compositions that have not received the necessary permissions in this regard are ineligible for the competition.)
3. There is a fee of CAD \$25 per entry. Composers are permitted to submit up to **two** entries; however, each entry requires a separate entry fee. The entry fee should be mailed to the address below. Please clearly indicate the composer's name and provide full contact information.
4. Scores and entry fees must be received by **July 31, 2017**.

Please mail entry fees via cheque or money order payable to "i Coristi Chamber Choir" to:

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