#### **PREVIOUS WINNERS**

2002 Elena Anastopoulos

2003 Kirsten Barker

2004 Soraya Mafi

2005 No competition

2006 Alex Knox

2007 Harriet Eyley

2008 Mary Galloway

2009 Thomas Payne

2010 Rosanna Cooper

2011 Elizabeth Thomas

2012 Julius Haswell

2013 Clare Sutherland

2014 Georgia Odette

2015 Ella Rainbird-Earley

2016 Ellen Pearson

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#### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the AESS Junior Recital Competition, in accordance with the general aims of the AESS, is "to encourage the communication of English words, in singing and in speech, with clarity, understanding and imagination".

#### REQUIREMENT

Competitors are asked to present and sing a themed recital of classical 'Art' songs with original English texts. (N.B 'Art'songs does **NOT** include opera, oratorio, operetta or musicals). The integrated programme may include spoken links and **must** contain at least one piece of poetry or prose. The programme should not exceed 15 minutes in total. Candidates should provide their own accompanist.

The entire programme must be delivered from memory in both rounds.

The judges will give equal attention to the spoken and sung elements of the programme.

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

The competition is open to young singers resident in the UK and Ireland. Junior Conservatoires and specialist Music Schools may nominate candidates. The competition is also open to students who are pupils of members of the Association and schools where there is a link with the Association.

#### **AGE LIMIT**

The prize is open to young singers who are aged 13 to 18 on or before the date of the final, **Sunday 17th November 2017**.

## PRIZES - First Prize £300, Second Prize £200 - both sponsored by Catherine Lambert.

Third Prize £100 – sponsored by Coral Gould Marian Lines Prize of £200 for the best spoken element

#### THE COMPETITION

The competition will be in two stages.

#### STAGE ONE:

There will be a preliminary round on **Sunday, 4th November** in London and Burton on Trent, Midlands. Judges will be drawn from members of the Association, who have not themselves submitted candidates. They will select a maximum of eight competitors for the final.

#### STAGE TWO:

The final will be held on **Saturday**, 17<sup>th</sup> **November** at the Chetham's School of Music The winner of the competition will be offered a masterclass for their school or college from an AESS member in addition to the prize.

#### **ENTRY**

A nominal, non-refundable, entry fee of £15.00 is charged to cover administrative expenses. Entries must be made on the official forms provided and must be received no later than **Saturday**, **October 27th 2017**.

#### **ENQUIRIES.**

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