

## 4<sup>TH</sup> INTERNATIONAL FILM MUSIC COMPETITION

[www.filmmusiccompetition.ch](http://www.filmmusiccompetition.ch)

### DATES AND DEADLINES

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07 April 2015	Competition film available for download
20 April 2015	Web page activated for registration und competition document upload
22 May 2015	Deadline for early-bird registration
12 June 2015	Deadline for uploading competition documents (see below)
31 July 2015	Announcement of the five finalists
21 August 2015	Finalists: deadline for the submission of performing material (see below)
25 September 2015	World premiere performance of the 5 finalists' compositions

### SUPPORT

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Support for competition participants: [support@filmmusiccompetition.ch](mailto:support@filmmusiccompetition.ch)

Please make sure that your question is not already answered on [www.filmmusiccompetition.ch/en/support](http://www.filmmusiccompetition.ch/en/support).

### TERMS AND CONDITIONS

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#### 1. General

The fourth International Film Music Competition takes place during the 11<sup>th</sup> Zurich Film Festival (24 September – 4 October 2015). The competition and the film music concert are organised by Zurich Film Festival and Forum Filmmusik. Five entries will be nominated and world-premiered on 25 September 2015 by the Zurich Jazz Orchestra ([www.zjo.ch](http://www.zjo.ch)) and the Zurich Chamber Orchestra ([www.zko.ch](http://www.zko.ch)) under the musical direction of André Belmont. The winner will be chosen by an expert jury and awarded the “Best International Film Music 2015” Golden Eye endowed with CHF 10 000.

#### 2. Registration

##### 2.1. Eligibility

Composers of any age, nationality and place of residence are eligible to enter, provided that they have no more than three records on [www.imdb.com](http://www.imdb.com) (key date: 12 June 2015) as “composer” or “orchestrator” in feature-length films (duration 60 minutes or longer). Winners of the “Best International Film Music” Golden Eye from previous years are excluded from the competition.

It is possible to submit compositions made in a team as long as all the collaborators are eligible to enter.

##### 2.2. Registration fee

The competition entry handling fee is € 75, which has to be paid by 12 June 2015. Participants who register until 22 May 2015 pay a reduced early-bird fee of only € 50.

The competition fee cannot be refunded to participants who fail to submit all the required documents until the deadline of 12 June 2015.

### 2.3. Documents to be submitted

The following documents must be submitted to the competition administrators by 12 June 2015:

- Fully completed online application form
- The score as a PDF file and also as a Finale, Sibelius or MusicXML document (if the score cannot be submitted as a Finale, Sibelius MusicXML document, then the whole performing material as a PDF file has to be submitted). The orchestration must be within the limits defined in 3.1. below.
- An MP3 file with a mockup of the submitted score. This file is supposed to present the desired mix between the participant's music and the sound track of the film to be scored. The beginning of the MP3 file must coincide with the beginning of the downloaded QuickTime file.
- If an additional electronic track or live electronics are used (cf. section 3.2), please submit this as one separate MP3 file.

A code name that doesn't allude to the identity of the candidate has to be chosen upon registration. All documents and audio files must be titled with this code name only.

After the submission deadline (12 June 2015) the composition entered can no longer be withdrawn.

The film to be scored may be used solely for the term and purpose specified within the rules and regulation of this competition, and for no other term or purpose whatsoever. The film composer is obliged to refrain from exhibiting the film clip in any form and from passing it on to third parties. This explicitly includes all forms of electronic media and the Internet.

By registering, the film composer confirms he/she has read and accepted the competition's Terms and Conditions. The entrant also confirms that he/she holds all rights to the submitted film music (including any third-party rights).

### 2.4. Obligations if nominated

If nominated, the composer commits herself/himself to grant Spoudation Motion Picture GmbH the permission — and until 31 October 2015 the exclusive rights — to perform the film music during Zurich Film Festival without limit and free of charge and in this respect to use it for promotion and advertising purposes. Spoudation Motion Picture GmbH can, for the same purpose, also grant these rights to third parties.

Furthermore, if nominated, the participants commit themselves to deliver the following material by 21 August 2015:

- Complete performing material as PDF files. The score must contain timecodes, hitpoints, a visual clicktrack, and, if applicable, information about streamers and punches (see [www.filmmusiccompetition.ch/en/support](http://www.filmmusiccompetition.ch/en/support) for more information).
- All the audio files needed for the performance (click track and, if applicable, electronically or digitally produced audio track)
- A MIDI file with a complete and correct tempo map of the composition
- Optional: a QuickTime movie with streamers and punches for the conductor

If the required material is not delivered on time or if it is unusable, the nominee might be required to pay for external preparation costs.

If live electronics are needed for the performance, the nominee must provide and operate the required hard- and software.

## 3. Implementation of the competition

### 3.1. Instrumentation

Reeds/woodwinds – 5 players: fl/picc, ss/as/fl/picc, as/fl/cl, ts/cl, bari/bcl

Brass – 12 players: 4 hn, 4 tpt/flhn, 3 trb, 1 btrb

Rhythm section – 4 players: piano/synth, el-gtr/ac-gtr, el-bass/ac-bass, drums

Orchestral percussion – 1 player: timp/xyl/glock/tamb/bongos/woodblk/templeblks/slide whistle/shaker/sus-cymb

Harp – 1 player

Strings – minimum 5.5.3.3.2

An explanation of this shorthand notation can be found on [www.filmmusiccompetition.ch/en/support](http://www.filmmusiccompetition.ch/en/support).

All the instruments are amplified.

The submitted composition may use only a part of the this instrumentation. However, a composition that is not performable with this instrumentation cannot be nominated.

### 3.2. Additional audio tracks

It is possible to use one additional electronically or digitally produced audio track and/or live electronics. The hard- and software required for the live electronics has to be brought along and operated by the composer.

### 3.3. Selection of the finalists

A committee of experts is responsible for pre-selecting the entries. A jury of internationally renowned figures from the music and film industry then choose the five finalists who will be announced on 31 July 2015.

Participants who are not nominated are not entitled to a feedback or justification from the jury, nor are they entitled to a refund of the competition fee.

### 3.4. Invitation of the finalists

The finalists' compositions will be world-premiered in Zurich on 25 September 2015. The five finalists will be invited to Zurich for this world premiere. Zurich Film Festival pays an overnight stay in a hotel of the festival's choice and, depending on distance, a round-trip economy flight or a 2<sup>nd</sup>-class train ticket from the country of origin. If the entry is a collaborative composition, the festival assumes costs for one composer only. This invitation is non-transferrable.

### 3.5. Award

The winner as chosen by the jury will be announced on 25 September 2015 and awarded the "Best International Film Music 2015" Golden Eye endowed with CHF 10 000.

The prize cannot be awarded *ex aequo* to two or more film music entries. The jury must agree on a single winner.

## 4. Further conditions

Zurich Film Festival reserves the right to regulate all unforeseen cases not covered by the Terms and Conditions, as well as allow special or justified exceptions.

There is no possibility of recourse to legal action.

## IMPRINT

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The competition and the film music concert are organised by the following institutions:

Forum Filmmusik, c/o Pierre Funck, moving music, Rigistrasse 13, 8006 Zürich, Switzerland  
[www.forumfilmmusik.ch](http://www.forumfilmmusik.ch)

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