

# Frédéric Chopin Competition

SEPTEMBER 19, 2009

## SEEKING PIANO STUDENTS



- Frédéric Chopin Piano Competition Open to Pianists from Age 6 through 19
- Contestants will perform one piece composed by Frederic Chopin, judged by a panel of accomplished musicians
- Apprentice and Master level students must select from an approved list
- Competition will be held on September 19<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 9 am
- One Winner and Runner-Up will be selected from each level and will be awarded a US Savings Bond at a special Concert and Ceremony on September 27, 2009 at PolishFest
- Winners and Runners-Up must agree to perform at the Concert
- Registration limited to first 10 applicants in each category
- Previous winners ineligible to enter in same category
- Non-Refundable Registration Fee: \$25
- Registration Deadline is August 21, 2009

### WINNERS RECEIVE:

**\$100** US Savings Bond, Young Chopin Level (ages 6-11)

**\$500** US Savings Bond, Chopin Apprentice Level (ages 12-14)

**\$1,000** US Savings Bond, Chopin Master Level (ages 15-19)

**Runners-up receive a \$50 US Savings Bond**

*Perhaps the greatest of all composers for the piano was Frédéric Chopin. Called a "musical genius" when he was a teenager, Chopin composed a remarkable variety of brilliant pieces – warlike polonaises, elegant waltzes, romantic nocturnes, and poetic ballades and etudes. His father, Nicholas, was a Frenchman who lived in Poland for many years. His Polish mother was of noble birth. PolishFest will honor young pianists who have discovered the joy of playing Chopin and will recognize their talents through the Competition.*

The Frédéric Chopin Competition, Concert and Awards Ceremony will be held at the  
**Blessed Virgin Mary of Częstochowa Church**

**250 Maxwell Road  
Latham, NY 12110**

For more information or to register for the Chopin Piano Competition, call 518.373.0092 or visit  
[www.polishfest-ny.org](http://www.polishfest-ny.org)

Use of the Yamaha Grand Piano for the Competition and Concert is being generously donated by Artist Pianos, Ltd.

