

IVOR MAIRANTS GUITAR AWARD



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- The 24th IVOR MAIRANTS GUITAR AWARD administered by the Musicians Company will take place in London at the Guildhall School of Music and Drama on 16th April 2027.
- The competition will be conducted on ONE day.
- Prizes for the 24th Ivor Mairants Guitar Award have a value of £2500 and include The Musicians' Company award of £1000 to be used by the competition winner for tuition in the field of playing jazz-influenced contemporary music on the classical guitar or commissioning a new work in this style. The winner will also receive a £900 cash prize. There will also be cash prizes of £400 for Second Prize and £200 for Third Prize. The prize winner may be invited to audition for the Musicians' Company's 2028 London concerts.
- The non-refundable entrance fee for the competition is £30 to cover office and administration costs.

TERMS OF THE COMPETITION

- Contestants must have been born on or after 1st January 2000. Guitarists of any nationality can enter the competition as long as they have been resident in the UK, EU, EEA or Switzerland for at least 12 months and/or are currently enrolled in a UK conservatoire. Previous entrants, but not first prize winners, may take part.
- Contestants will have to play:

1) Ivor Mairants - Any two contrasting movements, from 'Jazz Sonatas for Guitar' (Mel Bay).

This music book is available through Amazon (ISBN 0786679573).

2) One only of the following items:

i)	Olga Amelkina-Vera	Ensueño y Danza	(Doberman/Les Productions d'Oz)
	Cheryl Frances-Hoad	The Millipede is Walking	(Wise Music)
ii)	Clarice Assad	Para Antara	(Doberman/Les Productions d'Oz)
	Roland Dyens	Saudade no.3	(Leduc)
iii)	Dusan Bogdanovic	Jazz Sonata	(Doberman/Les Productions d'Oz)
iv)	Leo Brouwer	La Ciudad de las Columnas	(Ediciones Espiral Eterna)
v)	Roberto Gerhard	Fantasia	(Boosey & Hawkes)
	Carlo Domeniconi	Toccata in Blue	(Edition Margaux)
vi)	Julio César Oliva	El Retrato de Dorian Gray	(MS available online)
	Sergio Assad	Eli's Portrait	(Doberman/Les Productions d'Oz)
vii)	Joaquín Rodrigo	Sonata Giocosa	(Schott)
viii)	Heitor Villa-Lobos	Study no.5	(Eschig)
	Ronaldo Miranda	Appassionata	(Schott/Editions Orphée)

- Early application is highly recommended to ensure a place in the competition. Applications received after 16th March will not be accepted. Contestants who wish to withdraw have to notify the Clerk of The Musicians' Company no later than one week before the competition. The entry fee will not be refunded under normal circumstances.
 - The panel of judges will consist of not less than three internationally acknowledged adjudicators. The judges have the right not to award a prize, should there be no performance deserving of it. The decision of the judges is final and indisputable. The Musicians' Company reserves the right to cancel the competition for any reason.
 - Music for the set pieces for the 24th Ivor Mairants Guitar Award is available from most classical guitar centres and online guitar music shops.
 - Application forms for entry to the competition can be obtained by download from The Musicians' Company website www.wcom.org.uk/news-events/awards, or by emailing assistant@wcom.org.uk. Completed application forms, together with the entrance fee, must be sent to The Clerk, The Musicians' Company, 1 Speed Highwalk, Barbican, London EC2Y 8DX clerk@wcom.org.uk.
- The deadline for the receipt of these is 16th March 2027. Contestants must provide a copy of their birth certificate with their application, and a reference from a recognised music college or teacher to confirm their performance ability.

Previous Ivor Mairants Guitar Award Winners

1997 Amanda Cook (UK)	2006 Nicolas Papin (France)	2015 Bradley Johnson (UK)
1999 Hayley Savage (UK)	2007 Fabricio Mattos (Brazil)	2016 Michael Butten (UK)
2000 Xuefei Yang (China)	2008 Sanja Plohl (Slovenia)	2017 Giacomo Susani (Italy)
2001 Milos Karadaglic (Montenegro)	2009 Sean Shibe (UK)	2019 Dimitrios Soukaras (Greece)
2002 Jorgen Skogmo (Norway)	2011 Manus Noble (UK)	2021 Jianhao Zhou (China)
2003 Carl Herring (UK)	2012 Francesco Scelzo (Italy)	2023 Hope Cramsie (UK)
2004 Luis Leite (Brazil)	2013 Armen Doneyan (France)	2025 Tohi Harada (Japan)
2005 Dimitris Dekavallas (Greece)	2014 Laura Snowden (UK)	