

3rd CHAMBER MUSIC COMPETITION – CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

The **KELIS Musical Association**

announces a selection for a **young chamber music ensemble** to be included in the concert series “**IL SUONO GIOVANE 2026**”, which will take place in **Florence (Italy) in September 2026**.

Participation in the selection is open to the following ensembles:

- **String Quartet**
- **Piano Quartet** (*piano and strings*)
- **Piano Trio** (*piano and strings*)
- **String Trio**
- **Clarinet Piano Trio** (*clarinet, cello and piano*)

* The combined age of the ensemble members must not exceed **90 years for trios** and **120 years for quartets**.

PRIZE

The prize consists of a fee of **€1,500 (one thousand five hundred euros)** as compensation for the concert, which will take place at **Palazzo Medici Riccardi on September 2026**.

Accommodation in Florence will be provided by the **KELIS Musical Association**.

The selected ensemble will also receive a **travel reimbursement of €100**.

In addition, the **Amici della Musica di Verona Association**, a prestigious and centuries-old musical institution committed to the promotion of emerging talents, will award a **Special Prize to a soloist selected by the jury**.

The prize recipient will be invited to give an **all-expenses-paid concert** organized in the halls of the **Società Letteraria di Verona** and will compete for the **final Amici della Musica di Verona Prize, edition 2026 or 2027**, according to subsequent agreements.

APPLICATION

Applications must be submitted **no later than 11:59 PM on March 30, 2026**, by completing the application form and sending it to:

associazionekelis@gmail.com

Together with the application form (downloadable from www.associazionekelis.it), applicants must submit the following documents:

- A copy of a **valid identity document** for each ensemble member
- The ensemble's **curriculum vitae**, including studies and artistic CV (PDF)
- A **group photograph** (JPEG or PDF)
- Proof of payment of **€40.00 per ensemble member** as an association membership fee, to be paid to the following bank account: **IBAN: IT31Q0306909606100000402418**
Bank: Banca Intesa San Paolo
Account holder: Associazione Kelis
(A single collective payment is permitted)
 - Quartet: **€160**
 - Trio: **€120**
- **Two video recordings** of contrasting repertoire, with a **total duration of 30 minutes**.
The recordings must be **recent (not earlier than 2025)**, made with a **fixed camera** and **without editing**.
The video material must be accessible via **YouTube links**, viewable online without downloading.

The results of the selection will be published on the **KELIS Musical Association website by April 30, 2026**.