

PIEDICAVALLO CONCORSO NILO PERALDO BERT



10th “Nilo Peraldo Bert” International Award
Piedicavallo (BI)
May 23rd-24th, 2026

RULES

Art. 1 Competition enrollment

The competition is open to all musicians of all nationalities and will be taking place in Piedicavallo (BI) Italy - on May 23rd-24th, 2026.

Art. 2 Sections and categories

All rounds will be open to the public. Sections and categories will be arranged as following:

• Solo competition (Classical Guitar)

Cat. A: born in 2016 and later (2016, 2017, 2018 etc.)

Cat. B: born in 2014 and 2015

Cat. C: born in 2011, 2012 and 2013

Cat. D: born in 2008, 2009 and 2010

Cat. E: born in 2005, 2006 and 2007

Cat. F “Performers”: up to 40 years old

• Chamber music competition (from 2 to 8 musicians) with at least one guitar or mandolin

Cat. G: all members must be born in 2015 or later

Cat. H: all members must be born between 2012 and 2014

Cat. I: all members must be born between 2007 and 2011

Previsional Audition Schedule:

Saturday, May 23rd

Cat. F: Preliminary Round

Cat. E: Auditions

Sunday, May 24th

Morning and early afternoon: auditions for Categories A, B, C, D, G, H, and I

3:00 PM: Category F – Final Round

It is possible to enroll in higher categories. It is not possible to enroll in two different categories in the Solo competition. Neither the outright winners of a previous edition in solo competition nor first prize winning groups in the chamber music competition can enroll with the same ensemble or for the same category. Special prizes can not be assigned to the same musician in the same category more than once.



For each category, the competition will only take place if a sufficient number of participants is reached to ensure a meaningful competition.

Art. 3 Registration fees

• Solo competition (Classical Guitar)

Cat. A - B: 19 €

Cat. C - D: 29 €

Cat. E: 39 €

Cat. F: 49 €

• Chamber music competition (from 2 to 8 musicians) with at least one guitar or mandolin

Cat. G 9 € for each member

Cat. H 19 € for each member

Cat. I 19 € for each member

Refund of fees will only be granted if the event is cancelled

Art. 4 The Jury

The Jury will consist of conservatory professors, music schools teachers and preeminent musicians.

Art. 5 Programs**

• Solo competition (Classical Guitar)*

Cat. A: free program - maximum duration: 7 minutes

Cat. B: free program - maximum duration: 9 minutes

Cat. C: free program - maximum duration: 9 minutes

Cat. D: free program - maximum duration: 12 minutes

Cat. E: free program - maximum duration: 15 minutes

Cat. F:

Eliminatory Round

free program - maximum duration of the round: 12 minutes

Final round

free program - maximum duration of the round: 20 minutes. Participants are not allowed to play the same music pieces previously performed during the eliminatory round.

• Chamber music competition*

Cat. G: free program - maximum duration: 9 minutes

Cat. H: free program - maximum duration: 12 minutes

Cat. I: free program - maximum duration: 15 minutes

* Transcriptions will be admitted

** The performance length will be counted from the beginning of first piece to the end of the last one, including intermissions and tuning.



Art. 6 Scores

The point system is expressed in cents. Participants with a score not less than 95/100 will be assigned the 1st prize. Participants with a score not less than 90/100 will be assigned the 2nd prize. Participants with a score not less than 85/100 will be assigned the 3rd prize. The outright winner for each section will be the participant with the highest score within first prizes. The decision of the Jury is not subject to appeal. A maximum of five soloists in total will be admitted to the Final Round.

The results of the Category F preliminary rounds will be announced at the end of the auditions during the opening concert. The final results for all categories will be announced during the award ceremony.

Art. 7 Certificates, diplomas and prizes

• Solo competition (Classical Guitar)

Cat. A

Outright winner prize: certificate of merit, book selection or accessories

First prize: certificate of merit, guitar strings, book selection or accessories

Second prize: certificate of merit

Third prize: certificate of merit

Cat. B

Outright winner prize: certificate of merit, book selection, Guitar Nails Kit

First prize: certificate of merit, guitar strings, book selection or accessories

Second prize: certificate of merit

Third prize: certificate of merit

Cat. C

Outright winner prize:

certificate of merit,

one **"Umbra" model by Sagework Guitar Support,**

guitar strings

Guitar Nails Kit

First prize: certificate of merit, guitar strings, book selection

Second prize: certificate of merit

Third prize: certificate of merit

Cat. D.

Outright winner prize:

certificate of merit,

one **"Umbra" model by Sagework Guitar Support,**

guitar strings

Guitar Nails Kit

First prize: certificate of merit, book selection, guitar strings, guitar nails

Second prize: certificate of merit, book selection, guitar strings, guitar nails

Third prize: certificate of merit



Cat. E

Outright winner prize:

certificate of merit,

a prize concert to be held during the next edition of the 'Peraldo Bert' Competition, or as part of one of the concert seasons organized by our partners

one **"Umbra" model by Sagework Guitar Support,**

guitar strings

Guitar Nails Kit

First prize: **"UBI" guitar support by Frigerio,** certificate of merit, book selection, guitar strings, guitar nails

Second prize: certificate of merit, book selection, guitar strings, guitar nails

Third prize: certificate of merit

Cat. F "Performers"

First prize:

certificate of merit;

grant worth **€ 500;**

an Aiersi Mod. Serenata guitar (limited edition for Italy) worth **€ 1.200;**

Tour of concerts in the 2026/2027 season*:**

- a concert for the Fondazione Accademia Perosi;

- a concert for "Six Ways Festival - Festival di Chitarra Libera",

- a concert for "Accademia di Liuteria Piemontese San Filippo" (Turin - Italy)

- a concert for "Kaleidoscope Guitar Festival" Boves (Italy);

recording contract that includes distribution and promotion of one or more recording projects with Tilt Music Production;

one **guitar support "Doulerest" by Bogaro & Clemente;**

book selection;

guitar strings;

Guitar Nails Kit.

Second prize:

certificate of merit;

guitar support "Doulerest" by Bogaro & Clemente;

Guitar Nails Kit

book selection

Third prize:

certificate of merit;

guitar support "Doulerest" by Bogaro & Clemente;

Guitar Nails Kit;

book selection



• Chamber music competition

Cat. G

First prize: certificate of merit, guitar strings, book selection or accessories

Second prize: certificate of merit

Third prize: certificate of merit

Cat. H

First prize: certificate of merit, guitar strings, guitar nails

Second prize: certificate of merit

Third prize: certificate of merit

Cat. I

First prize: certificate of merit, guitar strings, Guitar Nails Kit,

Second prize: certificate of merit, guitar nails

Third prize: certificate of merit

*** Only explicitly stated gross appearance fees will be guaranteed. Otherwise, performers will be granted a reimbursement of expenses, according to the organizers' agreements. Prize concerts could change due to new availability and due to extenuating circumstances.

Outright winners prizes in each category so as first prizes category F cannot be shared. First, second and third prizes could be assigned to one or more participant at the Jury's discretion.

Prizes may not be awarded at the Jury's discretion. The award ceremony for Category E will be held on Saturday, May 23rd, 2026, during the 6:00 PM opening concert by M° Arody García (Mexico) at the Teatro Margherita in Piedicavallo (BI). The award ceremony for all other categories will take place on Sunday, May 24th, 2026, at 5:30 PM at the Teatro Margherita in Piedicavallo (BI).

Attendance at the award ceremony is mandatory for the confirmation and collection of prizes.

Art. 8 Enrollment

Application form, which can be filled in online at www.concorsoperaldobert.it, must be submitted **no later than May 16th, 2026.**

Along with the applications each applicant should enclose payment receipt of individual registration fee to be paid by bank transfer

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Art. 9 Auditions

Prior to the audition all participants will have to submit to the Jury a copy of the scores of their program and an ID card or passport. **The auditions' schedule, the time and the location of the roll call will be on-line starting from May 18th, 2026.** The Jury is allowed to stop the performance in case it will exceed the time limit. Those members of the Jury who have family relationship or ongoing teaching relationships with participants must declare it and will be abstained from judging them.

The Artistic Direction may reserve the right to modify the timetables of the auditions, due to force majeure. Participants will receive timely communication around the updates.

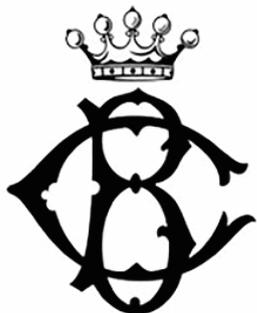
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