



# RH INTERNATIONAL PRESTIGE AWARD 2025

## CHAMBER & COMPOSITION

### ONLINE COMPETITION

Video Submission Date: 20 July 2025

Online Streaming: 27 July 2025

### CONCERT

RH Prestige Winners' Gala Concert  
25 - 28 August 2025

SINGAPORE | Esplanade Theatres by the Bay

RH Prestige Associate Concerts  
Malaysia | Indonesia

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REGISTRATION  
15 March - 15 April 2025

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# Rave Harps International Prestige Award 2025



## *Testimonials by past RH Prestige participants*

*"I have enjoyed participating in RH Prestige Award both solo and chamber categories over the years."*

*"So privileged to have so many opportunities to perform and become my best in these competition and concerts."*

*"I look forward every year to this event as I make new friends besides growing in my playing."*

Rave Harps International Prestige Award was introduced to extend the reach of current music exams, and to inculcate the love for performing in growing young musicians. The competition is held with SOLO and CHAMBER categories on alternate years (with special categories of Ensemble, and this year's New Composition Category)

## Rave Harps International Prestige Award:

- Encourages **Harp Solo & Chamber performances** at different learning stages, thus building the confidence of students to perform from a young age.
- Creates a wonderful opportunity to receive constructive comments from professional international harpists & musicians.
- A platform for musicianship growth and forging friendships amongst young musicians.
- Better equip students for future performances & artistic endeavors.

In its 8th edition, RH International Prestige Award 2025 will be Harp Chamber Category and is open to all nationalities. We are excited to announce the new Composition Category this year. **This year will be an ONLINE COMPETITION with a LIVE Winners' Concert.** "Distinction with Honours" Awardees will be invited to perform in the Live Winners' Concert, where best performance of each respective category will be awarded a "Best Performance Award". There will also be additional Regional Associate Concerts with more performance opportunities for selected awardees. *(Please see following pages for more details)*

All successful awardees will receive certificate, medal/trophy and their achievements recorded in the yearly RH Prestige Award Honour Roll. We hope to see students strive and advance successfully in each category of their harp journey.



**KATRYNA TAN**  
**Artistic Director, RH International Prestige Award**

A warm welcome to our 8<sup>th</sup> edition of RH International Prestige Award 2025. Over the years, The Harp Association (Singapore) & Rave Harps have been building a new generation of excellent harpists in the region and nurtured many young harpists to become confident young performers and professionals at the instrument. We have witnessed how this platform has groomed many young musicians, changed lives, instill passion and forged many wonderful friendships amongst the youth. We hope to continue inspiring young students in this direction.

**Past Years International Panel of Jury (2025 Jury to be announced later)**



**RAVE HARPS PRESTIGE AWARD 2025  
WINNERS' GALA CONCERT  
SINGAPORE**



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**RH PRESTIGE  
REGIONAL  
ASSOCIATE CONCERTS  
MALAYSIA | INDONESIA**

This year, in addition to the Winners' Gala Concert in Singapore, there will be Regional Associate Concerts for selected awardees – with opportunity for winners to perform in different countries and venues

# Harp Chamber Competition – Division 1 & 2

## Competition Overview

### HARP CHAMBER COMPETITION

#### [Online Competition]

**Division 1 – Harps only (2-4 pax)**

**Division 2 – Harps with other instrument (2-5 pax)**

Participants are allowed to participate in more than one Chamber Division  
*Eg. A participant who entered Division 1(Harp Trio) can also enter Division 2: (Violin and Harp Duet).*

- **Piano and Harp combinations are not allowed.**

*Competition repertoire requirements and age categories can be found in next page.*

#### [Live Winners' Concert]

RH Prestige Award 2025 will be an ONLINE Competition. **“Distinction with Honours” Awardees** of each category will be invited to perform in the Prestige Award Winners' Concert in August 2025. A further **“Best Performance Award”** will be chosen in this Live Performance.

There will be additional Regional Associate Concerts where selected **Outstanding Awardees** will be invited to perform.



# Harp Chamber Competition – Division 1 & 2

## Repertoire Requirements – Lever and Pedal Harp

LEVER HARP CATEGORY				
Division 1 - Harps only combination (2-4 pax)				
Division 2 - Harp/s and Other instrument (2-5 pax)				
CODE	CATEGORY	AGE	DURATION	REPERTOIRE
LA	LEVER - APPRENTICE	6 and below	4 Minutes Max.	One Free-choice Piece
LB	LEVER - INTERMEDIATE	9 and below	5 Minutes Max.	One Free-choice Piece
LC	LEVER - ADVANCE	12 and below	4 - 6 Minutes	One Free-choice Piece
LD	LEVER- YOUTH OPEN	12 to 20	5 Minutes Max.	One Free-choice Piece
LE	LEVER- NON PROF. ADULT	21 and above	5 Minutes Max.	One Free-choice Piece
PEDAL HARP CATEGORY				
Division 1 - Harps only combination (2-4 pax)				
Division 2 - Harp/s and Other instrument (2-5 pax)				
PB	PEDAL - INTERMEDIATE	12 and below	6 Minutes Max.	One Free-choice Piece
PC	PEDAL - ADVANCE	15 and below	6 - 8 Minutes Max.	One Free-choice Piece
PD	PEDAL - YOUNG ARTIST	18 and below	8 - 10 Minutes	One Free-choice Piece
PE	PEDAL - NON PROF. ADULT	21 and above	6 Minutes Max.	One Free-choice Piece
PV	RH PRESTIGE CHAMBER VIRTUOSO	20 and below	Please see next page for requirements	

**NOTE**  
 Program for all categories to be selected from Standard Classical Repertoire (eg. baroque, classical, romantic, contemporary period). No arrangement of popular music is allowed. Program is subject to organizer approval.

*Please refer to the next page for the Virtuoso category*

# Harp Chamber Competition – Virtuoso

## RH Prestige Chamber Virtuoso Category

### CHAMBER VIRTUOSO - DIVISION 1: HARP DUET CATEGORY

Duration: 14 - 18 minutes

**Two contrasting works** including **ONE** free choice and **ONE** set work taken from the list below:

- Phang Kok Jun - Crossings
- Caroline Lizotte - Raga for 2 harps
- Caroline Lizotte - Stellae Saltantem, opus 49
- Paul Patterson - Scorpions
- Paul Patterson - Cantonese Images

Please email us your contemporary choice piece for approval if it's not from above list.

### CHAMBER VIRTUOSO - DIVISION 2: HARP & Other Instruments

Duration: 14 - 18 minutes

2-5 Instruments (Including harp)

Participants are required to present **two contrasting works**, one of which must be a **contemporary** composition. Examples of pieces that meet the expected level of difficulty are provided below:

- Toru Takemitsu - "Toward The Sea III" for Flute and Harp
- Toru Takemitsu - And Then I Knew 'Twas Wind
- Caroline Lizotte - Cello of Couloir
- Robert Paterson - Pegasus for Harp and Flute
- R. Murray Schafer - Wild Bird for Harp and Violin

Please email us your contemporary choice piece for approval if it's not from above list.

**RH PRESTIGE  
CHAMBER VIRTUOSO**  
is the highest category of  
the Chamber Competition

Design your own thematic program of max 18 minutes. Submission to include:

- (1) a Theme (max. 5 words)
- (2) Statement for the program (max. 200 words).

Groups will be judged on performance as well as creativity of program design.



# Harp Chamber Competition Rules

## GENERAL RULES

### I. Age & Categories

- Categories are capped at the stated age limit as of 31 December 2025.
- Harpists must be within the age category. For other instrument partners, please submit for consideration if you exceed the age limit.
- Participants are allowed to enrol in an older age category.
- Harp Groups must be either all Lever or Pedal harps. Mixed harps is not permissible.
- Non-Professional Adult Category are only for adult harpists who started learning the harp as an adult (21 years onwards)

### II. Eligibility

- Rave Harps International Prestige Award is open to all nationalities.
- Participants can participate in Division 1 (Harps only Groups) OR Division 2 (Harp with other instruments) OR Both Divisions.
- Note for Division 2: Harp and Piano combinations are not allowed

### III. Performance Standard & Repertoire

- All music may be played from memory or with music scores.
- Participants exceeding time limit will be penalized.
- **Program for all categories to be selected from** Standard Classical Repertoire (eg. baroque, classical, romantic, contemporary period). No arrangement of popular music is allowed. Program is subject to organizer approval.

### IV. Enrolment

- Enrolment deadline is **15<sup>th</sup> April 2025, 2359hr UTC+8 Singapore time.**
- THA (The Harp Association) members are eligible to receive 5% discount. All harpists of harp groups must be THA members to be eligible. Other instrumentalists are not required to be a THA member.



# Harp Chamber Competition Rules

## V. Online Competition - Due on or before 20 July 2025

RH Prestige Award 2025 (Chamber) is predominantly an ONLINE Competition.

Please upload your video on YouTube and submit an UNLISTED link to [RHPrestige@raveharps.com](mailto:RHPrestige@raveharps.com) by *20<sup>th</sup> July 2025, 2359hr UTC+8 Singapore time.*

### Video Submission Guideline

*The video is not to be filtered, edited, or processed in any way; failure to comply will result in disqualification. Video must show full view of harp & performer(s).*

## VI. Online Streaming - 27 July 2025

RH Prestige Award 2025 (Chamber) will be streamed online on this date for viewing and judged by panel of International Jury.

There will be a Special “**Audience Choice Award**” voted by audience.

## VII. Awards

There will be 4 awards for each standard category: “**Pass**”, “**Merit**”, “**Distinction**” or “**Distinction with Honours**”. Multiple awards may be presented and the jury reserves the right to not award a position if groups do not meet requirements.

Awardees will receive *jury comments, certificate, trophy/medal, and will be recorded in the RH Prestige Award Honours Roll.* Chamber groups will receive certificate for each member and only one trophy/medal for the group.

“**Distinction with Honours**” awardees of each category will be invited to perform LIVE in the 2025 Prestige Award Winners’ Concert & Awards Ceremony in August 2025. A further “**Best Performance Award**” and **cash prize** will be awarded to the best performer of each respective category.

# Harp Chamber Competition Rules

## VIII. [Live] Winners' Gala Concert & "Best Performance Award" – 25-28 August 2025, Singapore

"Distinction with Honours" awardees will be invited to perform in the Winners' Gala Concert in Singapore.

SPECIAL AWARDS awarded from LIVE Winner's Gala Concert.

"**Best Performance Award**" will be awarded to the best performance from each category from the Competition. Best Performance Awardee will receive a \*Cash Prize & Certificate.

"**RH Prestige Chamber Virtuoso Gold Award**" will be awarded to the best group of this highest category. Only one award will be awarded to either the "Harp duo" or "Harp with other instrument group". This is the highest award possible in the RH Prestige Award Chamber Competition!

### \*CASH PRIZE for "Best Performance Award"

S\$ 200	Lever (Apprentice, Youth Open) & Non-Professional Adult
S\$ 250	Lever (Intermediate, Advance), Pedal (Intermediate)
S\$ 300	Pedal (Advance, Young Artist)
S\$ 500	RH Prestige Solo Virtuoso Gold Award

*(No cash prize is awarded if there are less than 3 groups in the respective Category)*

## IX. **NEW for 2025!** Regional Associate Concerts [Live] – Malaysia & Indonesia

This year, in celebration of Harp Chamber music, there will be additional RH Prestige Regional Associate Concerts in the region. Selected awardees will be invited to perform in Associate Concerts in the region.

## X. Results

All decisions and grades awarded by the Jury are final and cannot be appealed. Results of both Competition categories will be published on 29<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

## XI. General

The organizing committee reserves the right to make any changes to the rules, dates and other information related to the competition. All photographs, videos, or audio recordings taken of contestants during performance or competition shall be the property of the Organizer. The Organizer may use the material in any medium and in any reasonable manner they see fit.

# Harp Chamber Competition Fee Schedule

## LEVER HARP CATEGORY - Division 1 & 2

CODE	CATEGORY	FEES (Duet/Trio)	FEES (Quartet/Quintet)
LA	LEVER - APPRENTICE	S\$ 200	S\$ 300
LB	LEVER - INTERMEDIATE	S\$ 250	S\$ 375
LC	LEVER - ADVANCE	S\$ 250	S\$ 375
LD	LEVER- YOUTH OPEN	S\$ 250	S\$ 375
LE	LEVER - NON PROF. ADULT	S\$ 250	S\$ 375

## PEDAL HARP CATEGORY - Division 1 & 2

PB	PEDAL - INTERMEDIATE	S\$ 250	S\$ 375
PC	PEDAL - ADVANCE	S\$ 300	S\$ 450
PD	PEDAL - YOUNG ARTIST	S\$ 300	S\$ 450
PE	PEDAL - NON PROF. ADULT	S\$ 300	S\$ 450
PV	RH CHAMBER VIRTUOSO	S\$ 350	S\$ 500

**THA members are eligible to receive 5% discount!**

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# Important Dates - Summary

IMPORTANT DATES		
DATES	CHAMBER CATEGORY	COMPOSITION CATEGORY
15 March - 15 April 2025	<b>REGISTRATION</b> , to submit: 1. Registration form, 2. Registration Fee	<b>REGISTRATION</b> , to submit: 1. Registration form, 2. Registration Fee
20 July 2025	<b>SUBMIT</b> Video Recording	<b>SUBMIT</b> 1. Title of Piece 2. Write-up (max. 100 words) 3. PDF Score 4. Midi Recording OR Video Recording
27 July 2025	[ONLINE] VIDEO STREAMING of Chamber Groups	
	Online Voting for "Audience Choice Award"	
29 July 2025	<b>RESULTS ANNOUNCED</b>	<b>RESULTS ANNOUNCED</b>
25 - 28 August 2025	[LIVE] Winners Gala Concert in Esplanade Theatres by the Bay, Singapore	
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***PRESTIGE ACADEMY – Masterclass/Workshops***  
***More information will be sent to participants in July***

## REGISTER IN 2 STEPS

Registration date 15 March-15 April 2025

### STEP (1)

Complete application form



### STEP (2)

Complete Registration fee

Please upload payment slip in Application Form

## PAYMENT METHODS

### Singapore Participants

- (a) Bank Transfer:  
DBS Bank: RAVE.HARPS      Acct no: 025-901113-3
- (b). PayNow



### International Participants

- (a) \*Bank Telegraphic Transfer:  
DBS Bank: RAVE.HARPS      Acct no: 025-901113-3  
Swift Code: DBSSSGSG  
Add: 12 Marina Boulevard, DBS Asia Central,  
Marina Bay Financial Centre Tower 3, Singapore  
018982  
*\*Please note all bank charges to be borne by applicant.*

- (b) PAYPAL\*\*  
Paypal account: [info@raveharps.com](mailto:info@raveharps.com)  
\*\* additional 6% transaction fee is payable  
. Eg. \$100 x 1.06 = S\$106.00

*We look forward to welcoming you to Singapore  
& Rave Harps International Prestige Award 2025!*



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