

TEXAS MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Guidelines for Commissioned Composer Selection

1. Composers are invited by a local association of TMTA to submit a dossier including the following:
 - a. Vita- life, education, positions, commissions, prizes, etc. Limit to one page or less.
 - b. Catalog of works with media, approximate length, publishers or manuscript indicated.
 - c. Sample tape of representations of work, fifteen minutes in length.
 - d. List of performances of compositions--title, place, performers.

A self-addressed stamped envelope should be enclosed if return of materials is desired.

2. TMTA committee reviews the entire list of nominees and their materials. Selection is reduced to three nominees. The committee is composed of the incoming directors.
3. The material for those three nominees are sent to the voting members of the TMTA board. Votes are cast using the Hare system of ranking and the ballot are collected by the Commissioned Composer Chair.
4. The composer winning the commissioning is announced at the Board meeting in June and at a general session.

Commissioned composition

1. Length: 5-10 minutes
2. Written for one to six performers, in the idiom of the composer's choice.
3. Work should be suitable for advanced student performance.
4. Deadline for score and parts is February 15.
5. First performance must be at the TMTA convention in June.

Awards

1. The MTNA-TMTA Commission is \$1500.
2. TMTA will fund expenses for the recording of the commissioned work up to \$300 and travel expenses for performers of the work not to exceed \$500.
3. The Texas Music Teachers Association Commissioned work will be submitted to the MTNA Composer of the year competition.

TEXAS MUSIC TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
APPLICATION FOR COMMISSIONING

Nominating Local Association: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone _____ email _____

Address/City/State/Zip _____

Nominee: _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ email _____

List of materials accompanying this nomination: _____

The nominee does not need to be a member of TMTA or MTNA. The nominee may be anyone known to the local association who will agree to the terms of the commissioning.

Send nomination and materials to:

Texas Music Teachers Association
Commissioned Composer
1106 Clayton Lane, Suite 240 W
Austin, TX 78623