

PRESS RELEASE F.M.I.
COMPETITIONS

Two Italians on the podium of the 13th Luigi Cerritelli International Competition

The harpist Margherita Spicci won the overall victory of the competition over the violinist Maini Penelope, who placed second.

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(Margherita Spicci, in the photo)

18 years after the first edition held in Brescia at the Auditorium San Barnaba, F.M.I. ONLUS has created a new edition of the International Competition named after Prof. Luigi Cerritelli who died in 2012.

In order to make the competition international and to encourage the comparison between candidates from non-European countries, the organizing committee decided to launch an online edition based on the submission of music videos recorded by the participants in the competition.

187 candidates, from 4 to 27 years of age, sent videos from all over the world.

There are 31 countries in the competition: Vietnam, Singapore, New Zealand, Lebanon, Cuba, Armenia, Bosnia and Herzegovina, Bulgaria, Canada, China, Spain, South Korea, Estonia, France, Germany, Japan, England, Italy, Kosovo, Latvia, Macedonia, Poland, Czech Republic, Romania, Russia, Slovenia, Switzerland, Turkey, USA, Ukraine.

All the videos of the first phase of the competition are published on the page of the competition:
www.concorsofmi.com

After the category tests, held between June and July 2021, ten eligible candidates participated in the final: *Cartuccia Cingolani Alberto (Italy), Emma Waite (USA), Zihan Jin (China), Xu Yangwei (China), Spicci Margherita (Italy), Nogarotto Federico (Italy), Maini Penelope (Italy), Trio Andelova, Betak, Hrdova (Czech Republic), Jeong Haewon (South Korea), Long Tian Tian (China).*

The jury, formed by **Emanuele Beschi, Massimiliano Motterle, Pierangelo Pelucchi, Dario Garegnani, Sem Cerritelli, Dvorkin Vsevolod, Lorella Ruffin, Luca de Marchi** and chaired by **Paola Bonora**, awarded to the young harpist of only 12 years old **Margherita Spicci** the **scholarship of 1.000 € named after M° Marcello Abbado**, well-known musician and president of the competition in several editions.

Twelve-year-old harpist **Margherita Spicci** won with a score of 98.86/100 and preceded 17-year-old violinist **Maini Penelope** who placed second with 98.04/100. The Trio of twenty year olds from the Czech Republic **Andelova Stepanka, Hrdova Natalie, Betak Alexandr** (oboe, clarinet and bassoon) in third place with 97.79/100.

In order of finish: 4th Xu Yangwei (27 years old, China), 5th Waite Emma (10 years old, U.S.A.), 6th Nogarotto Federico (15 years old, Italy).

To be mentioned a young promise **Cartuccia Cingolani Alberto**, only 4 years old, who was able to win his category (Prime Note up to 8 years old) with a score of 100/100.

We remind you that the videos of the final are **ONLINE** on the **YOUTUBE** page at the following address: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCZypW4k07UTqxr4A9myod6g>

The video with the highest number of "**LIKE**" **within September 12, 2021 at 12.00** noon will receive the **WEB PUBLIC PRIZE**.

The announcement of the 2022 edition will be published on September 13, 2021.

FINAL RANKING

- 1st **Spicci Margherita** (12 y.o., Italy) *Diploma & Marcello Abbado Scholarship 1000 €*
- 2nd **Maini Penelope** (17 y.o., Italy)
- 3rd **Andelova Stepanka, Hrdova Natalie, Betak Alexandr** (20, 19, 22 y.o., Czch Republic)
- 4th **Xu Yangwei** (27 y.o., China)
- 5th **Waite Emma** (10 y.o., U.S.A.)
- 6th **Nogarotto Federico** (15 y.o., Italy)
- 7th **Zihan Jin** (12 y.o., China)
- 8th **Long Tian Tian** (27 y.o., China)
- 9th **Jeong Haewon** (27 y.o., South Korea)
- 10th **Cartuccia Cingolani Alberto** (4 y.o., Italy)



Milan, August 24, 2021

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