

AALBORG INTERNATIONALE GUITAR COMPETITION FOR GUITAR SOLO 2026 CATEGORY - I + II

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Category II for Classical Guitar solo:

Conditions of participation in Category II:

- Competition of Category II will take place at Skipper Clement Skolen in Aalborg on November 21st 2026 between 15.00 – 17.00.
- The Competition is open to classical guitarists of all countries.
- Maximum age of 20 by the start of the competition.
- The competition is only completed with at least 5 registered participants.
- There is one round only.

Every participant taking active part declares to accept:

The regulations of this competition.

The decision of the jury.

The general rules of the competition.

Participation Fee:

Competition only: kr. 250 (33 €), which also covers free admission to the Finale in the Category I on November 21st 2026 at 20.00.

Competition and Talentclass Weekend (see program under workshops): kr. 850 (115 €).

Regulations for playing at the round:

Maximal playing time is 8 minutes.

Playing time starts as soon as the participant has taken his/her seat.

Free choice of repertoire.

The participant is allowed to perform the music using sheet music on stage.

Prizes for the winners of Category II:

- Handmade Aiersi Guitar – worth 1800€ donated by Aiersi Guitars, China
- Guitarlift
- Diploma & guitaraccessories from Savarez and Dáddarrio

2nd prize: 300 €

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3rd prize: 200 €

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All participants will receive a diploma, if they take part in the talent seminar or the masterclass and are present at the Grand Finale Concert and Award Ceremony on the 21.11.25 at Klassisk Sal, Musikkens Hus, Musikkens Plads, 9000 Aalborg.

Jury of the Aalborg International Guitar Competition 2026 Category II:

Chairman of the Jury: Anders Clemens Øien, Norway/Spain

Jury Members: Flavius Wagner, Germany, Manuel Toucinho, Portugal,

Regulations for the Aalborg International Guitar Competition 2026 for classical solo guitar in 2 categories.

Many thanks to our sponsors for making this competition possible.

Competition Rules:

- The organizers of the competition have the prerogative to refuse an application.
- The organizers of the competition have the right to regulate the number of participating guitarists in each category.
- The competition is open to the public.
- The jury has the prerogative to interrupt any player that exceeds the time limits specified in Categories I and II.
- The decision of the jury is final. The system of judging is an internal system and is not open to public discussion.
- First prize winners at the Aalborg International Guitar Festival and Competition in Category II, may not sign up again for the same category for the next competition.
- Remaining regulations: All potential problems and/or situations not covered by the above regulations, will be decided by the organizers of the competition.

Organisation:

- Deadline for all applications is October 1st 2026 (Applications will not be accepted until the registration fee has been received - The festival can extend the registration deadline)
- Cancellation from participant deadline is October 1st 2026 . Half of the registration fee will be refunded if a participant decides to cancel his or her active part in the competition. Should the participant decide to cancel after October 1st 2026 , none of the fee will be refunded.
- Each competitor is obliged to announce the compositions he or she will be performing.
- If a participant is not present in due time, he or she will be excluded from further participation in the competition without remittance of the entrance fee.
- The sequence of performance will be selected the evening before by drawing lots and sent by email to the participants.

RECORDINGS AND BROADCASTS:

The Aalborg International Guitar Festival & Competition is entitled to make photo, audio and visual recordings of the competition and arrange broadcasts and distribute these recordings and photos without any remuneration to the performers concerned.

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Accommodation:

- All students/participants are offered free accommodation from Friday November 20th to Sunday November 22nd at Skipper Clement School. Note: Bring a sleeping bag + sleeping mat. (there is a night guard - and we have a boys' and girls' section).
For alternative accommodation options, see: www.visitaalborg.com or search for Aalborg Hostel
- Participants in Guitar Symposium: Accommodation and meals are included.
- Participants in the 8th Aalborg International Guitar Competition Category I are offered private accommodation and meals on November 21st + 22nd 2026.

MEALS INCLUDED IN THE PRICE:

In the kitchen at Skipper Clement School, our cozy food team is ready during the festival so that you as a guest can enjoy some wonderful food, morning, noon and evening.

Friday, November 20th, 2026:

Bring your own packed lunch.
Soup will be served after the concert.

Saturday, November 21st, 2026:

Breakfast, lunch, cake and gala dinner.

Sunday, November 22nd, 2026:

Breakfast, lunch, cake.

REGISTRATION AND DEADLINES:

See website

www.aalborgguitarfestival.com

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