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Santa Cruz Baroque Festival

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Dear Music Community,

The Santa Cruz Baroque Festival is accepting applications to the **16th annual Youth Chamber Music Competition**. It takes place at UC-Santa Cruz Music Department on **Saturday, March 24, 2018**, between 9:30am-5:00pm.

Benefits

- Monetary prizes – \$500 to 1st, \$300 to 2nd, and \$200 to 3rd place ensembles (divided equally) and music store certificates to Honorable Mention ensembles.
- Written feedback from a diverse panel of experienced judges.
- Dedicated concert – 1st, 2nd, & 3rd place winners are expected to perform at our annual ***Emerging Artists Showcase: May 20, 2018*** @ 4:00pm at Holy Cross Church. Honorable Mention ensembles may also be invited to perform. **Please reserve this date.**
- Award ceremony for winners will be held at SCBF concert III, April 8, 2017. Please hold this date (complimentary tickets offered). All members of an ensemble must be present to claim an award.
- Any group winning or placing playing Baroque music will be invited to play on a regular series concert (April 29, May 12; see schedule) as well as the ***Emerging Artists Showcase***.

Criteria

- All participants must be enrolled in primary or secondary school or live in Santa Cruz, Santa Clara, San Benito, or Monterey Counties.
- All competitors must be 18 or younger on competition date.
- Ensembles will be at least 2, and no more than 8 musicians.
- Participants may perform in no more than 2 different ensembles.
- Baroque repertoire encouraged, but all classical music accepted.
- only music in score form with 2 copies for the judges is acceptable.

To apply, please find our application at: <http://scbaroque.org/youth.html>
You may also email contact@santacruzbaroquefestival.org
or call (831) 457-9693 with questions.