

## San Diego AGO Scholarship Auditions 2024 Rules and Policies

1. Organists may be of any age and will play two pieces in contrasting styles and a hymn. The maximum performance time is 15 minutes. It is not necessary to use the entire 15 minutes. Please prepare to play an introduction and two stanzas of the hymn, as for congregational singing. **Please note the requirements for the hymn at each level. The two pieces for students entered at Level 4 and above must be from two different periods.** Please refer to the **Progressive Repertoire Requirements** for details (available on our website at <https://agosd.org/education>). Literature in the repertoire requirements is intended to serve as a guide to entering a student at the appropriate level. It is not necessary to play a piece that is listed. Memorization is not required.
2. Pianists may be of any age and will play one piece. The maximum performance time is 5 minutes. Pianists will be auditioning for introductory organ lessons with a qualified AGO instructor. Pianists may only receive an award once for participation on piano. To be eligible for an award in the second year, participation in the second year must be on the organ. Memorization is not required.
3. To ensure that we can provide copies of music to the adjudicators, please indicate the publisher (and code number, if any) for each piece you will perform.
4. Adjudicators' comments will be sent to teachers.
5. Teachers may duplicate the Rules and Policies for your students.
6. Performers 21 years or older may participate in the auditions as many times as they wish, but will only be allowed to receive tuition grants a maximum of three times.
7. Students must use their scholarships to study with a teacher who is a member of San Diego AGO or to assist with the cost of attending an organ workshop or camp. Students who need financial assistance to attend a Pipe Organ Encounter are strongly encouraged to apply for a scholarship from AGO National. See <https://www.agohq.org/poe-scholarships/> for details. At the present time our teachers do not teach farther north than Rancho Bernardo, farther east than Santee, or farther south than downtown San Diego. Students who are not able to travel to one of these locations for lessons should consider participating in a different AGO chapter's auditions. A complete list of chapters in our region is available at <https://www.agohq.org/regions/west/>
8. Participants must be residents of San Diego County or study regularly with a San Diego AGO member teacher.
9. Applications will be open March 20, 2024 and must be submitted online at <https://agosd.org/education> The application deadline is Friday, April 20, 2024. If a participant is under 18 years of age, a parent must submit the application.
10. Application fees (\$30.00 per student) should be paid online at <https://agosd.org/education> The deadline is April 20, 2024.
11. All auditions will take place on Saturday, May 11, 2024 at Clairemont Lutheran Church, 4271 Clairemont Mesa Blvd., San Diego 92117.
12. Tuition checks for students who receive awards will be mailed directly to the teacher, POE site or other organ camp of the student's choice by June 30, 2024.

13. The highest performing organists of each division will be invited to perform at an honors recital at the Spreckels Organ Pavilion on Sunday, June 2 at 2pm or Sunday, June 9 at 2pm.

14. The Spreckels Organ Society will present additional awards to the top student in each of the divisions (Novice, Intermediate, Advanced). These will be presented on Monday evening, June 17 at the first San Diego International Organ Festival concert.

14. If you have questions, please contact Leslie Wolf Robb, San Diego AGO Education Coordinator, at [education@agosd.org](mailto:education@agosd.org). Our goal is to create an event that will be a positive experience for all who participate. Let's work together to continue to encourage organ study in San Diego! Thank you in advance for your participation.

San Diego AGO Education Committee