



Dear Composer,

We are pleased to invite you to participate in our Festival on the 11 and 12 September '27. We have lots going on for Composers at the festival. If you have any questions or need clarification on anything our contact details are all below.

Following a successful first Composers Competition in 2026 and some very useful feedback we are running 2 Composers Competition in 2027.

The first will be a Composer-Performer Competition. Players will play their Composition in front of a live crowd at the festival on Sunday 12th.

The Second will be a Composers Open aimed at those not attending the Festival. Entrants will submit videos and we will run heats on social media on the run-up to the festival where the winner will be announced. By entering a competition you are agreeing to us being able to use your work as described in these rules.

COMPETITION 1. COMPOSER-PERFORMER

Entrants must Compose a piece, for a solo Classical guitar. Between 2 and 5 minutes long. Submissions must be unpublished and composed in full by the entrant who will perform the piece on Sun 12 at the Festival. Entrants must enter a score (not handwritten) before the 1st September. The scores will be collated and made available as a free .pdf for a month following the festival to all our Attendees and Entrants.

The Panel of Judges will be looking at the following categories:

- Accessibility
- Use of The Guitar
- Musicality
- Originality
- Form and development

There will be a small cash prize. Amount TBA.

The winner will be announced on our Social media and youtube platforms.

To enter please email: info@felixstoweclassicalguitarfestival.co.uk

With the subject heading: Submission-2027 FCGF Composer-Performer Competition

The Competition does not have an entrance fee but you will need to buy a ticket in order to get into the Festival.

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COMPETITION 2. COMPOSERS OPEN

Entrants must Compose a piece, for a solo Classical guitar. Submissions must be unpublished and composed in full by the entrant. To enter, please record yourself or another guitarist playing the entered piece on a phone or similar. You may edit as appropriate.

You must submit a Video file and Score (not handwritten). The scores will be collated and made available as a free .pdf for a month following the festival to all our Attendees and Entrants. The Videos will be used on our social media platform.

We intend to use the Open Competition and its entrants in the lead up to the festival to help in its promotion. Entrants will be placed in groups with the winners of those groups moving forward. The winner will be announced just prior to the festival.

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- Musicality
- Originality
- Form and development

There will be a small cash prize. Amount TBA.

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To enter please email your video and score to: info@felixstoweclassicalguitarfestival.co.uk

With the subject heading: Submission-2027 FCGF Composers Open Competition

Entrants will have until midnight on MAY 31st 2027 to enter their Composition.

The Competition does not have an entrance fee.

Our Website: felixstoweclassicalguitarfestival.co.uk

For more information our Festival Director and Presiding Judge Mark Harris can be contacted on: 07891 674666.

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Kind Regards Mark Harris Director