



**IDYP**  
INTERNATIONAL DISCOVERY: YOUNG PIANIST 2026

**THIS YEAR,**

**ONLINE CATEGORIES**

**MASTERCLASSES AND GALA CONCERT**

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# ABOUT THE COMPETITION

Welcome to International Discovery: Young Pianist 2026 (IDYP2026), an initiative dedicated to fostering young pianists globally. Our mission is to provide a platform for budding musicians to shine, share their passion, and continuously elevate their craft.

We offer a comprehensive musical experience that nurtures technical proficiency, artistic sensibility, and a lifelong love for music. Winners gain invaluable stage experience through public performances, building confidence and audience connection.

Participants also benefit from exclusive masterclasses and workshops with renowned musicians, receiving personalized feedback and artistic inspiration. Exposure to diverse, high-caliber performances further deepens their musical understanding and creativity.

International Discovery: Young Pianist 2026 is more than a competition; it's a community committed to excellence and mutual support. Join us in celebrating and empowering the next generation of musical talent.

# IDYP 2026 - APPLICATION TIMELINE

## ONLINE CATEGORY

- **SEMI-FINAL ROUND - ONLINE**
  - ONLINE APPLICATION AND VIDEO SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 23 MARCH 2026 (EXTENDED)
  - SEMI-FINAL ROUND RESULTS: 30 MARCH 2026
- **FINAL ROUND - ONLINE**
  - REGISTRATION AND ONLINE VIDEO SUBMISSION DEADLINE: 5 MAY 2026
  - FINAL ROUND RESULTS: 25 MAY 2026
  - MASTERCLASS: 27 JUNE 2026 WITH INTERNATIONAL JUDGE IN SINGAPORE
  - GALA CONCERT: 28 JUNE 2026 IN SINGAPORE

## IDYP 2026

### ONLINE CATEGORIES AND REGISTRATION FEES

*Categories	Age	Online Fee (SGD)	Time Limit
Prodigy	4 – 6 years	\$90	3 mins
Junior	7 – 10 years	\$120	5 mins
Intermediate	11 – 14 years	\$150	7 mins
Advance	15 - 18 years	\$180	10 mins
Young Artist	19 - 21 years	\$210	15 mins

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# **IDYP 2026 - REPERTOIRE**

## **ONLINE CATEGORY**

### **Guidelines**

**Prodigy (4 - 6 years old)**

**Beginner - Grade 1**

**Junior (7 - 10 years old)**

**Grade 2 - 4**

**Intermediate (11 - 14 years old)**

**Grade 5 - 7**

**Advance (15 - 18 years old)**

**Grade 8 and Diploma**

**Young Artist (19 - 21 years old)**

**Diploma and above**

The above guideline to be based on ABRSM / Trinity / LCM or equivalent. The above guidelines are based on ABRSM / Trinity / LCM or equivalent examination boards. It should only serve as guideline and not requirements for all participants

Participants are encouraged to select repertoire that best showcases their musical skills, technical ability, and artistic expression.

# **IDYP 2026 - STRUCTURE**

## **ONLINE CATEGORY**

### **Semi-final Round**

Video Online submission for semi-final categories.

Online Application deadline and video submission deadline on **15 March 2026**

(Both Application and video submission must be submitted together)

- All participants will received:
  - Digital mark, written feedback and certificate for:
    - Gold Award
    - Silver Award
    - Bronze Award
    - Certificate of Participation
- There will be multiple Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards in each category
- All Gold Award recipients will be invited to take part in Final Round

### **Final Round**

Online Video submission for all categories.

Final Round Video Submission deadline on **5 May 2026**

- All final round finalists will receive:
  - Digital mark, written feedback, and a certificate.
  - Result for Final Round on **25 May 2026**

All finalist will compete for the Diamond Award; Top of the Category.

### **Award and Prizes**

Each Diamond Award winner will receive:

- Masterclass with international judge(s) on **27 June 2026**
- Selected Gold Winners will also receive Masterclasses on **27 June 2026**
- Gala concert invitation in Singapore on **28 June 2026**
- Performance at the Gala Concert
- Cash Prize (amount varies by category)
- Certificate of Diamond Award
- Trophy

# **IDYP 2026 - VIDEO SUBMISSION GUIDELINES**

## **ONLINE CATEGORY**

### **Semi-final & Final Round - Video Online Submission**

#### **Recording Requirements**

- Video may be recorded in one continuous take
- Minimum 720p resolution, clear lighting, and clear audio.
- Hands, face, and keyboard must be visible.
- Video must be recorded specifically for IDYP 2026.
- Upload links via Unlisted YouTube / Google Drive / Dropbox.

#### **Repertoire Requirements:**

- Perform one piece; All repertoire must be original classical works (no pop, jazz, simplified arrangements, or non-classical transcriptions).
- All piece must be performed from memory.
- Repeats are not required unless essential to musical structure.

#### **Important!**

- **Repertoire for Semi-final and Final round must be different**

#### **Score Submission**

**A copy of the score must be submitted together with the video link.**

#### **Privacy**

**Video links must be set to Public or Unlisted.**

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## CASH PRIZE

### IDYP 2026 - CASH PRIZE FOR DIAMOND WINNERS

#### ONLINE CATEGORY

Category	Age	Cash Prize (SGD)
Prodigy	4 – 6 years	150
Junior	7 – 10 years	180
Intermediate	11 – 14 years	210
Advance	15 - 18 years	230
Young Artist	19 - 21 years	260

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## MARKING CRITERIA

Assessment Criteria	Description	Maximum Marks
<b>Technical Proficiency &amp; Accuracy</b>	Accuracy of notes and rhythm, technical control, articulation, pedalling, and overall clarity of execution	35
<b>Musical Expression &amp; Interpretation</b>	Dynamic contrast, phrasing, musical shaping, stylistic awareness, and expressive intent	35
<b>Stage Presence &amp; Performance Quality</b>	Confidence, posture, poise, professionalism, and communication through facial expression / body language	20
<b>Repertoire Compliance</b>	Appropriate repertoire selection, correct level, observance of performance and repeat requirements	10
<b>Total Score</b>		100

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**CONDITIONS**

# **IDYP 2026 - GENERAL RULES**

## **Competition Schedule**

- The final round competition schedule will be emailed to participants/parents.
- Participants must adhere to the competition schedule.
- Failure to do so may result in disqualification.

## **Application Acknowledgement**

- By submitting the application to the IDYP2026 event, participants automatically acknowledge, accept, and agree to abide by the event's terms, conditions, and rules.
- Participants are required to acknowledge every email or message (via WhatsApp) sent by the organizer.
- Young participants must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian.

## **Live-Audition Reporting**

- All participants must report to the registration desk 30 minutes prior to their assigned performance time.
- Participants arriving late for registration may be disqualified without a refund.

## **Dress Code**

- All participants must dress formally during the competition.
- Informal attire, such as jeans, sneakers, flip-flops, shorts, short skirts, tank tops, and t-shirts, is strictly prohibited.
- Participants failing to adhere to the dress code may not be allowed to perform.

## **Concert Hall**

- Regulations Photography, audio, and video recording of performances during the Final Round are strictly prohibited.
- The use of mobile phones or any electronic devices during performances is strictly prohibited inside the concert hall.
- Each participant may bring a max of two guests to the hall during the final round.

# **IDYP 2026 - GENERAL RULES**

## **Disqualification Criteria**

- Any breach of competition rules, such as non-adherence to the schedule, improper dress code, late arrival, or disruptive behavior, may lead to disqualification.
- Disqualification will be done at the discretion of the competition organizers and is non-negotiable.

## **Liability**

- The organizer is not responsible for any personal belongings lost or damaged during the competition.
- The organizer is not liable for any injuries sustained by participants during the event.

## **Adjudication**

- The adjudication panel reserves the right to stop a participant's performance at any point in the competition once a decision has been made.
- The panel also reserves the right to modify, withhold, or remove certain prizes if deemed necessary.
- If any jury member has taught a participant continuously within the past year, that jury member will be excluded from evaluating that participant's performance.
- All decisions made by the adjudication panel are final, and no discussion or correspondence regarding the results will be entertained.

## **Copyright and PDPC**

- In the context of audio-visual recordings and photographs taken during the Preliminary and Final Round Auditions, as well as the Prize Winner Concert, applicants hereby renounce all economic and any other rights related to these recordings. They grant authorization to IDYP2026 and any affiliated production and broadcasting entities for the unrestricted publication and reproduction, either partially or fully, of their performances.
- By submitting their registrations, all applicants are considered to have granted IDYP2026 and its affiliated sponsors or partners the right to use their personal data, including photographs, audio, and video recordings.
- Additionally, by submitting their registrations, applicants also authorize IDYP2026 and its affiliated sponsors or partners to use their contact information, including for marketing purposes.

# **IDYP 2026 - GENERAL RULES**

## **Others**

- The organizer reserves the right to cancel competition categories in unforeseen circumstances. If a category is canceled, registration fees will be fully refunded.
- Competitors who arrive late may be disqualified at the discretion of the organizer.
- Participants must adhere to the performance order determined by the organizing committee on the day of the competition.
- In the event of a dispute, the decision made by the organizing committee shall be considered final.