

Press release – Tuesday 22/02/2022 – Brussels

2022 Cello Competition : candidates & tickets

Following the cancellation of the Piano Competition in 2020 and its postponement to 2021 (organised without an audience), we are pleased to announce that the 2022 Cello Competition will take place in the presence of an audience, from 9 May to 4 June, in Flagey and the Brussels Centre for Fine Arts. More information on www.queenelisabethcompetition.be.

68 candidates selected for the first round

Applications for this second cello edition were closed on Wednesday 8 December 2021. 152 cellists (aged 18 to 31 years old) have applied. The age limit had been exceptionally raised by one year due to the postponement of the Piano Competition.

In January, the videos of the candidates were viewed behind closed doors by an international jury, presided by Gilles Ledure and consisting of : Natalie Clein, Roel Dieltiens, Marie Hallynck, Frans Helmerson, Anssi Karttunen and Jian Wang. The complete list of jury members will be published mid-March.

68 candidates have been selected for the first public round : 20 women and 48 men, representing 26 different nationalities.

[List of candidates by nationality](#) / [The profiles of the candidates in alphabetical order](#)

Tickets

Tickets can now be booked via Flagey and Bozar. Subscriptions are available since 15 February. All competition sessions, concerts and any other activities organised as part of the 2022 Queen Elisabeth Cello Competition will be subject to the COVID-19 health measures that will apply in Flagey and Bozar in May and June 2022.

[Booking information](#)

Calendar of the Cello Competition

9 > 14 May | **first round** – Flagey (sessions at 3pm and 8pm)

16 > 21 May | **semi-final** – Flagey (sessions at 3pm and 8pm)

24 semi-finalists, with the Orchestre Royal de Chambre de Wallonie, cond. Vahan Mardirossian

29 May > 4 June | **final** – Centre for Fine Arts (8pm)

12 finalists, with Brussels Philharmonic, cond. Stéphane Denève

8 & 9 June | **laureates' recitals** – Flagey (8.15pm)

with the unranked laureates

14 June | **laureates' concert** - Centre for Fine Arts (8pm)

laureates 4, 5 en 6, with the Antwerp Symphony Orchestra, cond. Giordano Bellincampi

16 June | **closing concert** - Centre for Fine Arts (8pm)

laureates 1, 2 en 3, with the Belgian National Orchestra, cond. Eivind Aadland

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