

Tuesday, October 11, 2011

Dear Colleagues,

With my NATS District Governor hat on here, I want to encourage you to encourage your most advanced singers to take advantage of the wonderful opportunity of the NATS Artist Awards Competition (NATSAA). As you will see from this website [<http://www.nats.org/competitions/nats-artist-award-natsaa.html>], the competition offers impressive prizes and opportunities for First and Second Place winners. (Other details, requirements and procedures are also outlined on this site.)

Our District has had several singers do very well in this competition in the past and I hope we can be a spring board again to the final rounds for some of our grad students and young professionals. The First Round in our District will take place on January 21st in London, Ontario at the University of Western Ontario in *von Kuster Hall* at the Faculty of Music. More specific details will follow as the Jurors are selected and a schedule evolves. However, please note that the deadline is rapidly approaching (Nov. 10th) and that the repertoire requirements require thoughtful preparation. (The application form is here: [<https://www.nats.org/new-member-app.-request/natsaa.html>])

Sincerely,



Torin W. Chiles
Ontario District Governor



NATSAA 2012
42nd NATS Artist Awards Competition for Singers

OVER \$50,000 IN CASH AND OTHER PRIZES!

FIRST PRIZE

- Over \$13,000 in cash and prizes:
 - \$5,000 Cash
 - A New York Solo Debut Sponsored by DCINY
 - A Full Tuition Scholarship worth \$2,675 to attend the American Institute of Musical Studies (AIMS) in Graz, Austria
 - \$1,000 Gift Certificate from Hal Leonard Corporation

SECOND PRIZE

- Over \$6,000 in cash and prizes:
 - \$4,000 Cash
 - \$2,000 Scholarship to attend AIMS in Graz, Austria
 - \$500 Gift Certificate from Hal Leonard Corporation

Registration and repertoire requirements available online at www.nats.org

**APPLICATION RECEIPT DEADLINE:
NOVEMBER 10, 2011**

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