



## 2016 Phi Beta Mu Claude T. Smith Band Composition Contest

### Contest Rules

1. The composer must be 30 years of age or younger, on or before January 1, 2016.
2. The composition should be a grade III-IV in difficulty, using a grading scale of I-VI, and must conform to standard band instrumentation.
3. The entry must include a full score and a high quality CD or cassette recording. Send no parts.
4. The composition must be original and unpublished. Transcriptions will not be considered.
5. **All entries must be received by the committee chairman by August 1, 2015.** The winner will be notified by September 1, 2015.
6. The name of the composer must not appear on the score. A sealed envelope with the name, address, telephone number, and birth date of the composer should be affixed to the title page of the score.
7. The winner will receive a prize of \$5,000.00 and expenses (American entries) to attend the annual meeting of the Lambda Chapter of Phi Beta Mu at the Conference/Clinic of the Missouri Music Educators Association (Tan-Tar-A Resort, Osage Beach, MO, January 27-30, 2016). Every effort will be made to have the composition performed at the convention but this cannot be guaranteed.
8. Phi Beta Mu reserves the right to reject any or all entries.
9. The winning composer agrees by entering the contest that one set of parts may be furnished to co-sponsors of the contest for a performance by their band at no charge.
10. A Committee of Lambda Chapter members shall select the winner.
11. Composers should send their manuscripts and recordings to:

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