



GST Youth Showcase Competition

The Guitar Society of Toronto is excited to announce its first Youth Showcase Competition to be held as part of its Annual Guitar Weekend (April 24-26)! The competition will be **open to guitarists up to and under the age of sixteen** and will be held in two rounds.

The initial round will take place in person on April 23rd (location to be announced) to a closed adjudication panel. Four finalists will be invited to perform on April 25th to a live audience and adjudication panel as part of the Guitar weekend at St. Andrew's Church. The winners will be announced at David Russell's concert (April 25th at 7:30 PM). Finalists will have tickets for the concert provided, courtesy of the Guitar Society of Toronto.

Competition Details:

Participants must be 16 or younger at the time of April 25th 2026

\$75 entrance fee

Round 1: 10 minutes of repertoire featuring at least 2 contrasting styles

Date / Location: April 23rd / Location TBA

A warmup room (TBA) will be available for competitors 15 minutes before their scheduled playing time (schedule and room TBA)

Competitors should announce their name, their repertoire and respective composers before they begin

Round 2: 15 minutes of repertoire featuring at least 2 contrasting styles (you may use the same pieces you played in round 1)

Date / Location: April 25th at St. Andrew's Church 73 Simcoe Street (church sanctuary)

A warmup room (TBA) will be available for competitors 15 minutes before their scheduled playing time (schedule TBA)

Competitors should announce their name, their repertoire and respective composers before they begin

Awards:

1st: \$500 + 15 minute showcase concert at 2027 Annual Guitar Weekend

2nd: \$300

3rd: \$200

4th: \$100

For more information / sign up please use the contact information below:

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