

2021

Lotte Lenya

LOTTE LENYA COMPETITION

A Program of The Kurt Weill Foundation for Music

"No vocal contest better targets today's total-package talents."

– Opera News, 2014

First Prize \$20,000 | Total Prizes \$75,000+



The Lotte Lenya Competition welcomes talented singing actors of all nationalities, ages 19-32, who are dramatically and musically convincing in repertoire ranging from opera & operetta to contemporary Broadway scores, including the works of Kurt Weill.

THREE AUDITION ROUNDS:

PRELIMINARY AUDITIONS

Each contestant will upload an audition video with their online application form. Audition videos must include all four required repertoire selections.

Complete the online application at kwf.org/LLC.

Deadline - Tuesday, January 19, 2021

SEMIFINALS

Monday, March 8 or Tuesday, March 9, 2021

New York, NY USA*

FINALS

Saturday, April 10, 2021

Rochester, NY USA*

Travel stipends and staff accompanist are available to semi-finalists and finalists.

ELIGIBILITY & REPERTOIRE:

Open to singing actors of all nationalities, ages 19-32 (born after April 10, 1988 and before January 20, 2002).

Contestants perform four selections, not to exceed a total of 15 minutes:

- a theatrical selection (any genre) by Kurt Weill;
- a song from a pre-1968 musical;
- a song from a contemporary musical, 1968 or later;
- a selection from an opera or operetta.

Additional prizes awarded at the judges' discretion, including the Kurt Weill Award (\$5,000) for outstanding performance of two contrasting selections by Kurt Weill, at least one of which must be non-English-language.

MORE INFO:

Visit www.KWF.org/LLC for competition tips, guidance on making a video audition, suggested repertoire, competition documentaries, and additional resources.

*COVID-19 restrictions permitting

Past prizewinners (clockwise from left): Caroline Hewitt, Tom Schimon, Katherine Riddle, Jasmine Habersham, Dennis Wees, Michael Maliakel, Paulina Villarreal, Laura Corina Sanders, Curtis Bannister, Daniel Berryman

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