

# NORDIC COMPOSER CONTEST

FOR YOUNG JAZZ COMPOSERS UNDER 30 YEARS OF AGE

2023

First Prize: 25.000 DKK

Second Prize: 15.000 DKK

Public prize: 15.000 DKK

Award ceremony and final concert **November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2023**, in the Conservatory's concert hall  
(Odense)

Application deadline: **September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023**

BOHUSLÄN  
BIG BAND



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## **ODENSE JAZZ ORCHESTRA**

Odense Jazz Orchestra is a professional big band from Odense, Denmark.

The band has existed since 1994, is a part of the Danish professional big band scene and contains some of the best musicians, composers and arrangers in the country.

Odense Jazz Orchestras vision is to challenge the format of the big band, by constantly seeking new artistic ways in different musical impressions and to renew the sound of a big orchestra through creative collaborations that go beyond the big band tradition.

Odense Jazz Orchestra has released 9 albums, and play every year around 10 projects and tours, primarily in the region of southern Denmark.

The orchestra has among cooperated and played with names such as Stacey Kent, Richard Bona, Lars Jansson, Frederik Lundin, Viktoria Tolstoy, Erann DD, Odense Symfoniorkester, Dick Oatts, Loren Stillman, Marie Bergman, Steffen Brandt, Lars Møller, Harald Hugaard and many others.

[www.odensejazzorchestra.dk](http://www.odensejazzorchestra.dk)

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## **REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PARTICIPANTS**

The participant shall be no older than 30 years of age in 2023

Participants must have place of residence and be a citizen in one of the following countries: Denmark, Norway, Sweden, Finland, Faroe Islands, Iceland, Greenland (documentation must be attached the application).

## **REQUIREMENTS FOR THE COMPOSITIONS AND ARRANGEMENTS**

- Newly composed music that has not yet been listed or published
- Duration: Min. 6 minutes and max. 8 minutes
- The composers keep all rights for their work

### **Instruments available:**

1. Alto Sax (Soprano Sax, Piccolo, Flute, Alto Flute, Clarinet)

2. Alto Sax (Flute, Clarinet)

1. Tenor Sax (Flute, Clarinet)

2. Tenor Sax (Soprano Sax, Clarinet, Bass Clarinet)

Baritone Sax (Bass Clarinet, Flute, Clarinet)

1. Trombone

2. Trombone

3. Trombone

Bass trombone (Sousaphone)

1. Trumpet (Flugelhorn)

2. Trumpet (Flugelhorn)

3. Trumpet (Flugelhorn)

4. Trumpet (Flugelhorn)

Guitar (Acoustic, Electric)  
Piano (Acoustic, Electric)  
Bass (Acoustic, Electric)  
Drums

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**Technical demands for the material:**

The Composition including score, parts and computer audio must be sent to Odense Jazz Orchestra before September 1st 2023. Material send after this date will not be in consideration.

[contest2023@odensejazzorchestra.dk](mailto:contest2023@odensejazzorchestra.dk)

- Score and parts as PDF
- Computer audio as MP3
- It is required that all 17 musicians participate in the composition
- It is required that there is generated audio for all instruments in the score  
OBS! If slashes are used for the rhythm section, please make sure that audio is still generated, so that there is a full drum track, bass track, and a track that plays chords

Score:

- Paper A4 Size
- Bar lines through each horn-section.
- Bar numbers above each bar
- Rehearsal Marks as needed
- Portrait or Landscape
- Margins approx. 10 mm

Parts:

- Paper A4 Size
- Part size approx. 7mm, Portrait
- Approx. 8 systems per page.
- Try to avoid difficult page turns
- Bar Numbers displayed each system
- Margins approx. 10 mm

We will also need documentation of your age and nationality.  
Additionally provide your name, email and phone number.

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**PROGRESS**

Deadline for participation is September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023.

The composers name will be removed from the score. The host for 2023, Odense Jazz Orchestra, chooses anonymously up to six compositions for the final competition and concert on November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2023.

The Jury will choose a winner at the day of the competition/concert.

The chosen participants will directly get a personal notice and will be invited for the rehearsal of their work and the concert.

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#### PRIZES

- First prize: 25.000 DDK
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- Public prize: 15.000 DDK (sponsor)

All prizes are in Danish crowns.

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#### JURY

- Kathrine Windfeld - [windfeldmusic.dk](http://windfeldmusic.dk)
  - John Kristensen - [Odense Jazz Orchestra](http://Odense Jazz Orchestra)
  - Linus Lindblom - [Bohuslän Big Band](http://Bohuslän Big Band)
  - Jørgen Bjelkerud - [New Norwegian Big Band](http://New Norwegian Big Band)
  - Ville Vannemaa - [Espoo Big Band](http://Espoo Big Band)
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