

**NANBPWC, INC.**  
**NATIONAL VOCAL ARTS COMPETITION**  
**FOR EMERGING ARTISTS**

**GUIDELINES FOR APPLICATION**

1. All required information must be completed on the Application Form.
2. Applicant should have evidence of Classical Vocal training. The acceptable repertoire is listed on the reverse side of the application, and should include choices from each of the following categories: ARIAS - Opera, Cantata, Mass Requiem, Oratorio; ART SONGS - German Lied, French Melodie; and either a Negro Spiritual or work by a Contemporary African-American Composer.
3. **Age Requirements** - In keeping with the guidelines for the Scholarship Division of the Opera Association, contestants must be Emerging Artists between the ages of 18-25 and currently enrolled in, or have completed, an undergraduate or graduate music program. **Proof of age is required.**
4. **Application Fee** - \$50.00 per applicant, payable to the National Association at the time of application. Only certified checks, Club checks, or money orders will be accepted. **Make checks payable to NANBPWC, Inc.**
5. Applicant must submit a recent 4" x 6" black and white glossy photograph suitable for reproduction in a printed program.
6. Applicant must submit a personal profile of no more than two (2) paragraphs.
7. Applicant must submit a recommendation from their current vocal teacher/coach.
8. Applicant must provide three (3) copies of the music for their repertoire.
9. Local Club President must sign the application and forward to the National Office. If an applicant is interested in participating in the Mid-Atlantic District's competition on Thursday, June 23, 2016, all of the above items must be submitted by **May 15, 2016** through the local chairperson of Vocal Arts to:

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