

# INTER-AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS

Originally, the AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS (1948-1962),  
the competitions were followed by the INTER-AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS.

From 1948 to 1973, the competitions were organized under the auspices of the Sigma Alpha Iota Foundation;  
From 1974 to the present, the competitions were organized under the auspices of the Sigma Alpha Iota Philanthropies, Inc.

The last year of a Competition Cycle coincides with a National Convention where the works were premiered.

**1950**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Roy Harris  
Piano: *Toccata*  
*The Hag*

Burrell Phillips  
Choral: *What Love Will Do*

## WINNER

Richard Winslow  
Vocal: *Huswifery*

**1953**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Howard Hanson  
Choral: *How Excellent Your*  
*Name*

Vincent Persichetti  
Vocal: *Hist Whist;*  
*This is the Garden*

## WINNERS

Kenneth Gaburo  
Vocal: *The Night is Still*

Walter Hendl  
Choral: *A Village Where*  
*They Ring No Bells;*  
*Loneliness*

Richard Willis  
Choral: *Remember*

**1956**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Norman Dello Joio  
Vocal: *Adieu, Mignonne,*  
*when you are gone*

Francis J. Pyle  
Vocal: *The Fall; O Love*  
*That Sings*

## WINNERS

Ramiro Cortes  
Voice: *The Falcon*

Ross Lee Finney  
Piano, Violin, Voice:  
*Piano Trio No. 2*

Mel Powell  
Choral: *Sweet Lovers Love*  
*the Spring*

**1959**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Alan Hovhaness  
Vocal: *Out of the Depths*

Quincy Porter  
Woodwind Quintet:  
*Divertimento*

## WINNERS

Robert Lombardo  
Piano: *Laude, Fuga E*

Normand Lockwood  
Choral: *Motet: Praise to the*  
*Lord the Almighty,*  
*the King of Creation*

Kirke Mechem  
Choral: *Give Thanks Unto the*  
*Lord*

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**1959**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Henry Cowell  
Instrumental: *Supplication*

Ulysses Kay  
Choral: *Flowers in the Valley*

Halsey Stevens  
Choral: *In te Domini Speravi*  
(*In Thee, O Lord,*  
*have I put my trust*)

## WINNERS

David Ward-Steinman  
Vocal: *Three Improvisations*  
*on a Theme*  
*by Darius Milhaud*

Richard Willis  
Choral: *The Drenched Land*

**1965**

## COMPOSER-JUDGE

Lester Trimble  
Vocal: *A Cradle Song*

## WINNERS

Joyce Mekeel  
Choral: *White Silence*

Paul Nelson  
Choral: *How Happy the Lover*

**1968**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Ingolf Dahl  
Vocal: *A Noiseless,*  
*Patient Spider*

Juan Orrego-Salas  
Choral: *Villancico*

William Sydeman  
Xylophone  
and Contrabass: *Duo*

## WINNERS

None Selected

**1971**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

William Mayer  
Vocal: *Lines on Light:*  
(*I. Light on the Lake;*  
*II. Silent Icicles,*  
*Quietly Shining;*  
*III. Rage, Rage Against*  
*the Dying of the Night*)

Daniel Pinkham  
Instrumental: *Brass Trio*

## WINNERS

Allen B. Hoffman  
Chorus: *Madrigals*

**1974**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Jean Berger  
Vocal: *A New Year Carol*

Phillip Rhodes  
Instrumental: *String Trio*

Alan Stout  
Women's chorus:  
*O Altitudo (in Latin)*

## WINNERS

Jan Bach  
Women's Chorus:  
*Three Choral Dances*

David Maves  
Instrumental Trio: *Otoechos*

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**1978**

Jean Eichelberger Ivey  
Vocal: *Solstice*

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Ursula Mamlok  
Instrumental: *Festive Sounds*

**WINNER**

David Maves  
Women's Chorus: *A Bestiary*

**1981**

Pia Gilbert  
Vocal: *Food*

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Ursula Mamlok  
Instrumental: *Panta Rhei*

**WINNER**

Joelle Wallach (Crane)  
Choral: *On the Beach  
at Night Alone*

**1984**

Miriam Gideon  
Vocal: *Wing'd Hour*

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Vivian Fine  
Instrumental: *Quintet (after  
paintings by Edvard Munch)*

**WINNER**

Ruth Shaw Wylie  
Piano: *The White Raven*

**1987**

Louise Talma  
Instrumental: *Seven Episodes*

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Bruce J. Taub  
Vocal: *Three Preludes*

**WINNER**

Dennis Riley  
Coral: *Cantata IV:  
Beastly Conceits*

**1990**

Samuel Adler  
Instrumental: *Triolet*

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Gloria W. Swisher  
Oboe and Piano: *Salutations*

**WINNER**

Anthony Iannaccone  
Piano: *Two-Piano Inventions:  
No. 1: Shadows and  
Reflections;  
No 2. Currents*

**1993**

M. William Karlins  
Saxophone Quartet:  
*Night Light*

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Judith Lang Zaimont  
Instrumental: *Même*

**WINNER**

Don R. Womack  
Instrumental: *Double Talk*

**1997**

Diane Thome  
Flute and Tape: *Brilliant Air  
Brilliant Fire*

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Robert Ward  
Instrumental: *Night Under  
the Big Sky*

**WINNER**

Naomi Sekiya  
Choral: *Three Folk Songs*  
1. *Chorshat Ha-Ekaliputus  
(Hebrew);*  
2. *Ogun Gori Na  
(Bulgarian);*  
3. *Asdoya Yunta (Japanese)*

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**2000**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Eleanor Cory

Instrumental: *String Quartet #2*

Martin Mailman

Vocal: *Vocalise*

## WINNER

Paul Elwood

Piano: *Vigils*

**2003**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Robert Boury

Vocal: *To Dream Again*

Persis Parshall Vehar

Instrumental: *Life Dances*

## WINNER

Robert Gross

Violin: *Sonata for  
Unaccompanied Violin*

**2006**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

James Cohn

Instrumental: *Trio No.2 for  
Piano, Violin, and Cello*

Marilyn Shrude

Instrumental: *Lacrimosa*

## WINNER

Liduino Pitombeira

Brass Quintet: *Brazilian  
Landscapes: No. 2*

**2009**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Betty Berteaux

Choral: *Sing On!*

Michael Braz

Vocal: *Music in the Rainbow*

## WINNER

None Selected

**2012**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Linda Robbins Coleman

Piano Quartet: *Images  
Dangereuse*

John Heins

Wind Ensemble and Piano:  
*Rhapsody*

## WINNER

Marilyn Devin

Chamber Music: *Spring Quartet*

**2015**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Daniel Brewbaker

Choral and piano: *I carry your  
heart*

Tania León

Choral: *el sendero ancho*

## WINNER

Timothy Roy

Choral: *Salve Regina*

**2018**

## COMPOSER-JUDGES

Richard A. Crosby

Piano: *Sonata No. 1, Op. 1*

Bonnie Ruth Janofsky

Piano: *Expressions*

## WINNER

None Selected

# INTER-AMERICAN MUSIC AWARDS

**2022**

**COMPOSER-JUDGES**

Andrea Clearfield

Treble Choir and Piano: *Where  
Everything Is Music*

Amy Riebs Mills

String Quartet: *Flee!*

**WINNER**

Greg Steinke

Bass Clarinet and Piano:  
*SUITE in memory  
of Chief Joseph*

**2025**

**COMPOSER-JUDGE**

Libby Larsen

Saxophone Quartet: *Embracés -Reverie Rousseau*

**WINNER**

Dimitri Volkov

Percussion Quartet: *Chorale  
for Percussion*