

International press release  
July 2017

**The Queen Sonja International Music Competition 2017**  
**Oslo, 8 – 18 August**  
**Voice**

241 singers from 49 countries have applied to participate in this year's Competition. 40 singers from 21 countries have been invited to the preliminary rounds in Oslo.

Jury 2017 with international celebrities: <http://qsimc.no/en/the-2017-competition/jury>  
Participants 2017: <http://qsimc.no/en/the-2017-competition/participants>  
Prizes 2017: <http://qsimc.no/en/about-the-competition/prizes>  
Programme 8 – 18 August 2017: <http://qsimc.no/en/the-2017-competition/programme>  
Prize winners career development: <http://qsimc.no/en/about-the-competition/our-prize-winners-career-development>  
Collaborating Young Artist Programmes: <http://qsimc.no/en/about-the-competition/partners-and-contributors>

Facts:

- Exposure of the top level of young singers of today
- Prestigious prizes and concert engagements
- Leading International Opera houses as partners
- International jury with renowned personalities
- Cash prizes of EUR 68.000
- Final concert in The Norwegian Opera, direct TV-transmission
- Prize giving ceremony with HM Queen Sonja of Norway

***The Queen Sonja International Music Competition is one of the world's leading voice competitions. It takes place every second year in Oslo, and is open for singers from all over the world.***

*The Competition's institutional partners include The Norwegian National Opera & Ballet, the Norwegian Academy of Music, the Norwegian Broadcasting Corporation, the Oslo Philharmonic Orchestra and The Norwegian Royal Court. All singers under the age of 33 may apply to take part. Several participants of each competition are also nominated by the Competition's collaborating opera academies. Through several rounds, a jury consisting of internationally renowned opera directors, singers and casting associates from some of the world's top opera houses judge the participants' efforts. Each competition culminates in a grand final concert and prize-giving ceremony with H.M. Queen Sonja of Norway.*

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