



Sesquicentennial Carillon Composition Competition Chime In, Canada!

Ottawa – July 26, 2016 – The Honourable Geoff Regan, Speaker of the House of Commons, is pleased to announce that the House of Commons will hold a nationwide carillon composition competition to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Confederation and the 90th anniversary of the Peace Tower in 2017.

Submissions may be made for one of two categories:

1. Open Category: Submissions will be accepted from Canadian citizens or permanent residents for a composition of no more than five minutes' duration, playable by a solo performer (no duets) on a traditional mechanical carillon of 53 bells spanning 4 ½ octaves.
2. Youth Category: Submissions will be accepted from Canadian citizens or permanent residents born on or after January 1, 1991, for a composition of no more than five minutes' duration, playable by a solo performer (no duets) on a mechanical carillon of 51 cast bells.

The winning Open Category piece will be premiered by the Dominion Carillonneur on the Peace Tower Carillon on July 1, 2017. The winning composer will receive \$800.

The winning Youth Category piece will be premiered by the University of Toronto Carillonneur at Soldiers' Tower the same day, and subsequently performed on the Peace Tower Carillon during the October 2017 Percival Price Symposium. The winning composer will receive \$400.

Submissions must be original compositions, not arrangements or transcriptions of existing works. Each composer may submit only one piece. Compositions that have already been performed or published are ineligible. Public performance of any winning composition prior to July 1, 2017 will be grounds for disqualification.

Compositions must be submitted electronically or postmarked no later than December 1, 2016. The results will

be released by March 1, 2017.

For complete details of the competition, please visit the [Peace Tower Carillon website](#).

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