ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY

NEW MUSIC FESTIVAL MARCH 23 - 27, 2026

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COMPOSITION COMPETITION

Open to all composers, regardless of age or nationality. This year there are two categories: Category A (Works for Chamber Ensemble) and Category B (Works for Wind Ensemble).

PRIZES

The winner in each category will receive a \$1000 prize and performance at the 2026 RED NOTE New Music Festival in March 2026.

HOW TO ENTER

- For details & to submit your music: https://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/events-activities/ red-note/competition/
- SUBMISSION DEADLING
 November 1, 2025

COMPOSITION WORKSHOP

Open to students enrolled in a degree program in Fall 2025 and/or Spring 2026. Participants will compose a new work for one of the guest ensembles to premiere at the Festival & receive masterclasses from the distinguished guest composition faculty.

FACULTY

distinguished guest composers

Derek Bermel • Andreia Pinto Correia

resident faculty

Roy Magnuson · Carl Schimmel · Alex Stephenson · Alex Taylor

GUEST ENSEMBLES

Quintet Attacca · Trio Diorama

HOW TO APPLY

- For details & to apply: https://finearts.illinoisstate.edu/events-activities/red-note/workshop/
- SUBMISSION DEADLINE October 1, 2025







