

Regulation of
George Grigoriu International Pop Music Festival
Braila, Romania, the XXth edition
the 09th – 11th of May 2025

Organizers:

Braila County Council through Braila County Center for Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture, Braila Town Hall

Period of time:

The 9 – 11th of May 2025 in Braila, Romania.

The contest purpose:

The purpose of this contest is to promote the authentic pop music, to launch young voices, to encourage the valuable voices in order to integrate them in the Romanian and International pop music elite.

The festival goes on under the name of *George Grigoriu* who is included in the Gold Book of the Romanian pop music.

The festival has two sections: contest and recitals held by the well-known artists of the genre.

Conditions:

The contest is open for young people between 16-30 years old, who must have reached the age by the date of the Awarding Ceremony and it goes on with orchestral accompaniment (live). The laureates from the previous editions (**the Trophy winner and the I-st, II-nd and III-rd prize winners**) cannot participate in the contest. Also, in the case that a competitor has already participated in two consecutive editions of the festival, a third participation is not possible.

As requested by the Organizer, the winner of the Trophy or the winner of the First Prize of the previous edition will perform a micro recital in the next edition of the festival, case in which the Organizer will cover the transportation, accommodation and meals expenses, for the interval he/she is requested for.

The registration in the contest/ The pre-selection:

The pre-selection of the competitors will be made **online**, based on the Registration File sent by e-mail to the address of the Institution (festival.braila@gmail.com) until **the 10th of March, 2025.**

The pre-selection file must contain:

- copy of the passport/identity card;
- registration form (attached to the contest's regulation)
- the statement on the protection of personal data (Annex to this Regulation)
- copy of the scholar/ student card, where appropriate, in order to benefit of the existing tax opportunities;
- the songs (two songs) related to the registration form in .mp3 or .wma format;
- two artistic photos of high resolution.

The Contest Regulation can be found at

www.festival-george-grigoriu.ro,

www.centruldecreatiebraila.ro

www.cjbraila.ro

The pre-selection of the Romanian contestants *only* will take place on the **15th of March, 2025**, in front of the pre-selection jury, in a location communicated in advance to all the participants.

Each competitor will bring the negatives of the pre-selection's songs, on suitable media support (cd, memory stick - supported audio format Track, mp3, wma).

The pre-selection result will be displayed on **the 18th of March, 2025**, on the Organizer's media pages.

After the pre-selection, a number of 24 competitors will be selected by the jury. The names of the competitors admitted in the contest after the pre-selection will be made public on the festival's web page as well as on the County Centre for Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture and Braila County Council's web pages on the **18th of March, 2025**.

The admitted competitors after the pre-selection must communicate to the Organiser a bank account, until the beginning of the festival, for transferring an eventual won prize.

The contest's fee

The amount of the contest's fee is **100 lei** for all the admitted competitors.

The admitted competitors after the pre-selection will pay the fee for the contest, **or** by bank transfer to the account open at Braila Treasury (**Account IBAN RO64TREZ 1512 1G33 1900 XXXX**) fiscal code **7869923** **or** in cash, at the cash desk of the County Center for Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture Braila, just the exception case, until the **9th of May, 2025, 10 o'clock**.

Failure to pay this tax within the prescribed term means elimination from the competition.

The Rehearsals:

After announcing the pre-selection result, rehearsals will take place with the contestants admitted to the contest, in a location and within a time frame subsequently communicated to the participants.

The order of entry in the competition is decided by respecting the artistic requirements (it is to avoid, the presence on stage, in the same evening of competition of several competitors representing the same country, as well as the repetition of the same competition song) and technical (installation of technical equipment for bands, etc.).

The organizer will communicate the final decision. Compliance with both artistic and technical requirements is a priority.

Competitors will strictly comply with the organizers' specifications regarding entry order and rehearsals.

The Repertory for the contest

Romanian Competitors

Each competitor must prepare, for the contest, 2 songs of pop music from the recognized Romanian repertory, one song should belong to the composer *George Grigoriu*. The repertory of the composer *George Grigoriu* can be found **on the contest's web page** or directly at the County Centre for Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture, electronically or paper.

Personal compositions are not accepted.

Foreign Competitors

Each foreign competitor will sing:

- a song from the repertoire of their country of origin, transmitted to the organizers immediately after receiving the confirmation of participating in the competition; It is recommended and it is an advantage that the song is in the competitor's mother language. **Personal compositions are not accepted.**

- a song written by the composer *George Grigoriu*. The repertory of the composer *George Grigoriu* can be found on **the contest's web page** or directly at the *County Centre for Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture*.

The instrumentation for the foreign competitors' songs can be done by own means and transmitted to the Organizer after the pre-selection results but not later than the **30th of March 2025**. The accompaniment is composed of: acoustic piano, keyboards, drums, percussion, harmony guitar, solo guitar, saxophone, (alto or soprano) percussion.

The organizer can also assure the instrumentation only if the competitor transmits the chosen songs (one song from own repertory and one from *George Grigoriu's* repertory) up to the **1st of April 2025**.

In the case that the competitor requests the provision/the assurance of the orchestration by the organizer and, for reasons not attributable to the organizer and also unfounded from a legal point of view, **he/she withdraws from the competition**, the respective competitor will assume the obligation to pay the price of the respective orchestration by bank transfer to CJCPCT Braila.

The competitors' obligations are:

- To respect the clauses of the Festival's Regulation;
- Both in case of major and minor competitors, the organizers **will not provide** accommodation and meals for the attendants.
- If the major/minor competitors come accompanied (manager, family members, etc), the companions will bear their accommodation and meals.
- Transport costs will be borne by competitors.
- To respect the deadlines of arrival, accommodation and meals established by the Organizer, in the interval related to the festival-contest. **Thus, the Organizer will promptly communicate the date of the competitors' presentation at the rehearsals preceding the event itself.**
- To sign the copyright assignment contracts in favour of the organizers for media dissemination.
- To accept the clauses of the Regulation for the protection of personal data, while signing the Declaration attached to this Regulation.

The Laureates who are not present, on scene, at the Prize Awarding Ceremony will be disqualified; Any break of these obligations leads to the unappealable exclusion from the contest and the impossibility of collecting the prize.

The organizers' obligations are:

- **The organizer will promptly communicate the date of the contestants' presentation at the rehearsals preceding the actual event.**
- Ensures, within the budget, the transport of foreign competitors from the airport/Gara de Nord train station or bus stations from Bucharest to Brăila and back, only for the period for which they are required to be present in Brăila, to take part in rehearsals with the orchestra or to establish other organizational details; In case a participant is forced to arrive/depart to/from Brăila for unfounded reasons, which are not related to the organizer, he/she will cover himself/herself the costs of transport, accommodation and meals, for that interval.
- Provides meals and accommodation for the competitors, only for the period for which they will be required to be present in Brăila, to take part in rehearsals with the orchestra or to establish other organizational details. In case a participant is forced to arrive/depart to/from Brăila for unfounded reasons, which are not related to the organizer, it will unilaterally cover the costs of transport, accommodation and meals, for that interval.
- To organize and make available the music hall and the rehearsal spaces necessary for the festival;
- To assure a proper run of the pre-selection and of the competition and their objectivity;

- To assure the silence for the good contest running by totally preventing the press and photo reporters from entering in the stage wings, except for the authorized reporters, television and radio;
- To assure the accuracy of votes for the partial and final results;
- To assure the prizes.
- The organizers are not responsible to the events or incidents in which the contestants may be implied outside the show and rehearsals.
- The organizer will provide a number of 4 places for disabled people (with or without a companion), based on their requests and the supporting documents submitted to the institution, bases on *First come, first served*.

The Jury

- The Jury is made of Romanian and foreign pop music personalities, radio and TV editors, etc
- The Jury's member who is involved in the competitor's artistic training or management is in charge with, can no longer vote for this competitor. The contestant will receive the average of the other jury members' grades.
- *Ex Aequo* prizes are not allowed.
- In case of point's equality for one or more competitors, the separation will be done according to the grade belonging to the President of the jury. If this criterion is not sufficient the separation will be through the direct decision of the President of the jury.
- The members of the jury keep the confidentiality of grades and charts derived from the judging procedure, under the provisions of the Penal Code.
- All decisions are final and without right of appeal.
- The judging results are made public once with the awarding ceremony, then, the list is published on the websites belonging to the County Centre for Preservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture and of the Brăila County Council

Prizes (at the euro exchange rate of BNR, National Bank of Romania, from the date of approval of this regulation, from the *13th of January 2025*)

George Grigoriu Trophy – 4.000 €

Ist Prize - **2.000 €**

IInd Prize – **1.500 €**

IIIrd Prize – **1.000 €**

Special prize-**600 €**

Mention- **500 €**

Other specifications:

- Other prizes, from other sources or sponsorships, can be also granted.
- The amounts are taxable according to the Romanian legislation in force on the date of prize awarding.
- The prizes will be offered in RON, at the euro exchange rate of BNR, National Bank of Romania, **from the date of approval of this regulation by Decision of the Administrative Council of the County Center for the Preservation and Promotion of the Traditional Culture Braila**, from the 13th of January 2025. The prizes will be paid by bank transfer, in the accounts communicated by the competitors. The bank's commissions for the prizes' transfer will be borne will be borne by both parties (Organizer and winner of the prize).
- The prizes will be transferred, **within 120 days** from the announcement of the winners, in compliance with the budgetary provisions and the sponsorship law. If the legal framework decides other provisions, the Organizer and the participants (winners) will respect the applicable legal provisions.
- The competitors who do not find themselves among the winners will receive a participation diploma.

Any changes to the Regulation imposed by circumstances beyond the organizer - will be communicated in time on the festival's web page as well as on the organizing institution's web page.

Any changes to the Regulation, imposed by circumstances beyond the control of the organizer, will be communicated in a timely manner on the competition website and on that of the organizers.

The organizer reserves the right to modify at any time the conditions regarding the development of George Grigoriu pop music festival – the 2025 edition or to cancel it

Major force

In case of majeure force or fortuitous event, the Organizer may decide to make changes or even cancel *George Grigoriu International pop music festival, 2025 edition*, in exceptional situations without being held liable in any way to the Participants for these decisions.

Majeure Force or fortuitous event means any external event such as, but not limited to: storms, threats or risk of terrorist attack, decisions of public authorities, whether legitimate or illegitimate, epidemics, pandemics, accidents, explosions, fires, floods, torrential rains, earthquakes, social conflicts, major short circuit, high risk of harm to public health, decisions of the authorities or any other cases that cannot be foreseen by the organizer at the time of publication of this regulation and may prevent this edition from taking place.

Contact details:

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e-mail: *festival.braila@gmail.com*

STATEMENT

I, the undersigned hereby agrees the right of the County Center for Conservation and Promotion of Traditional Culture Braila , through personally empowered persons, to process personal data according to the EU General Personal Data Protection Regulation 679/2016 (GDPR) for *George Grigoriu* International Pop Music Festival, organized between *the 09th – the 11th of May 2025*

In order to participate in the preselection of the contest and if it is the case for the competition that will take place between *the 09th – the 11^h of May 2025* you must provide your personal data.

Your refusal determines the impossibility of benefiting from all these facilities.

The recorded information is intended for use by the operator and is only communicated to the following recipients: central and local public authorities, the operator's contractual partners, etc.

Under Regulation 679/2016, you have the right of access, data interference and the right not to be subject to an individual decision.

At the same time, you have the right to oppose the processing of your personal data and to request the deletion of the data.

Date

Signature

Registration form

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Family Name.....

First Name.....

Age.....

Occupation.....

Musical studies (if case).....

Teacher.....

Participation at other contests and won prizes

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Adress:

Phone number:.....

E-mail adress.....

Repertory

1. Title of the song
Composer
Lyricist

2. Title of the song
Composer
Lyricist

**Contestant
signature**

The institution represented (just in case)