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The 2011 Cole Porter Jazz Fellowship Awards
\$50,000 Cash Prize



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CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

The American Pianists Association is pleased to announce the Call for Nominations for the 2011 Cole Porter Jazz Fellowship Awards.
\$50,000 Cash Prize to Winner

Nominate an outstanding young American jazz pianist for the \$50,000 cash prize at the 2011 Cole Porter Jazz Fellowship Awards of the American Pianists Association! The competition is held every four years and offers an outstanding opportunity for jazz pianists to advance their careers. Postmark deadline for nominations is March 5, 2010 at midnight. The Artistic Director will contact the nominees and request a portfolio that includes a CD of a minimum of 30 minutes of music, containing at least one original solo piece, one trio piece and one jazz standard. In May 2010, a preliminary adjudication panel comprised of five distinguished jazz musicians from around the nation will convene in Indianapolis to review in anonymous fashion the CDs submitted by the candidates. The panel will choose five Finalists and two alternate pianists.

The five Finalists will be invited to come to Indianapolis twice during the 2010-2011 season. During the first visit, for the Premiere series, each Finalist will be invited to Indianapolis for one week to perform with a trio at The Jazz Kitchen, to participate in a residency with a local high school and to perform in other community musical events. Then, all five Finalists will return to Indianapolis April 10-17, 2011 for the Final Round of competition. All five Finalists receive a cash award and all expenses are covered by APA, including round-trip airfare, housing in Indianapolis and meals.

The Semi-Final Round, which is open to the public, will be held at the Jazz Kitchen on April 15, 2011. Each of the five candidates will perform two sets in solo and trio format. The Finals will be held the next evening, April 16 at the Indiana Repertory Theatre. At the conclusion of the Finals, the new Cole Porter Fellow will be announced. The Cole Porter Fellow will receive a \$50,000 cash prize, promotional materials and career assistance for two years. The two-year Fellowship is valued at over \$75,000 including in-kind career services, cash prize, professional fees and other opportunities.

The American Pianists Association held its first jazz piano competition in Indianapolis in 1992. (The APA also conducts a competition for classical pianists.) Previous judges have included jazz greats Bobby Short, David Baker, Ramsey Lewis, Dorothy Donegan, Dr. Billy Taylor, Kenny Barron, Rene Rosnes, Denny Zeitlin, Fred Hersch and others.

The Concerto Curriculum, APA's educational and community outreach program, is also a part of the Jazz Fellowship Awards. During Concerto Curriculum events, the Finalists will perform in high schools, community centers and retirement homes. These community performances are provided at no charge to the participating institutions and have served more than 12,500 students and others since 1992.

The American Pianists Association is a non-profit organization whose mission is to discover, promote and advance the careers of world-class, jazz and classical pianists.

Questions and inquiries may be addressed to:

Dr. Joel M. Harrison, President/CEO & Artistic Director, at 317-940-9947 • joel@americanpianists.org

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THE 2011 COLE PORTER JAZZ FELLOWSHIP AWARDS

CANDIDATE NOMINATION FORM

CANDIDATE: _____ AGE: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____
STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
TELEPHONE(S): _____ FAX: _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS(ES): _____

NOMINATED BY: _____
SIGNATURE: _____
TITLE: _____
AFFILIATION: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____
STATE: _____ ZIP CODE: _____
TELEPHONE(S): _____ FAX: _____
E-MAIL ADDRESS(ES): _____

Please mail nomination form to:

DR. JOEL M. HARRISON, PRESIDENT/CEO & ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

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*Postmark deadline is **March 5, 2010.***

- The nomination form may be sent via FAX to 317.940.9010 and must be received by Midnight, **March 5, 2010.**
- This form may be copied to make additional nominations.