

28th International Louis Spohr Harp Competition

October 5 – 7, 2026

Sensenstein Youth Castle, Nieste near Kassel

Terms and conditions of application / Registration

Competition requirements (please include your name, full address, telephone number, email address and signature)

Round 1

- **Required piece: Louis Spohr (1784–1859):** Fantasy in C minor, Op. 35 (~9 min)

OR

Louis Spohr: Je suis encore dans mon printemps, Op. 36 (~7 min)

- **1 piece of your choice**

For the first round, a program length of 12–14 minutes is expected:

One of the Spohr pieces + one piece of your choice of a corresponding length

Round 2 (Final)

- **Required piece: Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924):** *Une châtelaine en sa tour*

- **1-2 additional works of your choice** from different stylistic periods (with opus/work number)

Original compositions, no arrangements. Duration: 15-20 minutes

Quartier: Youth Castle and Sports Education Center Sensenstein

34329 Nieste near Kassel

Accommodation in simple rooms. Full board. <https://www.sensenstein.de/>

Departure on October 8th by 11:00 AM

4. Costs

October 5th to 7th (full board + competition fee) → € 350

Processing fee € 80. Due in case of cancellation or non-admission to the main round.

For the competition, harps from the brands Salvi and Lyon&Healy are available.