



## IX INTERNATIONAL COUNTRY MUSIC CONTEST “MAYFLOWER”

**ORGANIZERS:** Mr Ludomir Handzel Mayor of Nowy Sącz  
Youth Palace in Nowy Sącz, Poland

### COMPETITION RULES

1. The competition auditions **for foreign entrants** take place entirely over the Internet.
1. The song contest is open to amateur soloists and to duos and vocal groups (between 3 and 5 members) at the age **10 – 20**.
2. A school or a youth centre is allowed to submit **five** entrants of each category and **two** vocal groups or duos after a careful selection.
3. Participants compete in categories based on the age:  
I category – born between 2011-2014  
II category – born between 2008- 2010  
III category – born between 2004-2007
4. Each participant /vocal group must perform one **American country song in English**. They can sing to background music or to the accompaniment of any musical instrument.
5. It is important that the video recording (audio not acceptable) is good enough to see and hear the participants clearly.
6. Participants should send their video recordings and fill in the Application Form **by** February 10, 2024. **Mail entries to** [l.urbanska@palacmlodziezy.pl](mailto:l.urbanska@palacmlodziezy.pl).
7. Participants will need to submit a direct link to a video of their act performing the song live, on **YouTube**. It must be a private link
8. The Jury will select the winners. The judging committee consists of high-profile music professionals. Songs are judged equally on melody, composition, originality and language (English).
9. Results will be announced on the Youth Palace website - [www.palacmlodziezy.pl](http://www.palacmlodziezy.pl) - by **February 23, 2024**.
10. The gala concert will be held on **5 March 2024** in Youth Palace, Rynek 14, Nowy Sącz.
11. Participants will cover the cost of stay and travel if they choose to attend the gala concert.
12. The first, second and third place winners from foreign countries will have their recorded performance broadcast during the gala concert. The concert will be livestreamed.
13. Entry constitutes permission to use entrant's name, likeness and voice for future advertising and publicity purposes without any compensation.
14. Participants agree that should their songs be selected as a winner, the Organizer will have the right to include the songs on a compilation CD to be used for promotional purposes only. The CD will not be for sale.
15. By entering the competition, participants and their parents or legal guardians agree to accept and be bound by the decisions of the Organizer and their judges which are final and binding in all matters.

## PRIZES

1. Prizes will be awarded based solely on the submitted recordings.
1. All contestants will be awarded with diplomas. The winners will receive recognition via local media, awards and certificates signed by the Jury, Mayor of Nowy Sącz, Director of Youth Palace.
2. State and public institutions, enterprises and individuals, in agreement with the organizers may award special prizes.

Please send all questions regarding the competition to its coordinator, Lucyna Urbańska at:  
[l.urbanska@palacmlodziezy.pl](mailto:l.urbanska@palacmlodziezy.pl) or [pmlucyna@gmail.com](mailto:pmlucyna@gmail.com), tel. + 48 (18) 784-534-547

