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## 2016 American Composers Forum National Composition Contest



Application Deadline: Sunday, December 20, 2015 The application deadline for this program has passed.

In partnership with the acclaimed new music ensemble <u>Sybarite5 (http://www.sybarite5.org/)</u>, the American Composers Forum announces the <u>2016 American Composers Forum National Composition Contest</u>.

The objective of this competition is to foster creativity by composers throughout the United States and to recognize and reward their accomplishments.

Three composers from the total applicant pool were chosen as the winners of this year's competition. Each will receive a \$3,500 commission to write a piece for Sybarite5 which will be workshopped and performed by the ensemble in Fall, 2016.

This year's program generated an extraordinary response with 457 submissions from composers in 41 states. The five panelists from Sybarite5 commented on the high level of overall quality in the submission pool, making the review process both difficult and competitive. There were ten finalists, from which the following three winners were chosen:

- Clarice Assad (New York, NY)
- Steven Snowden (Austin, TX)
- Brandon Ridenour (New York, NY)



We're also pleased to congratulate the following individuals who were in the finalist round:

- Ryan Brown (Oakland, CA)
- Sharif Labban (Princeton, NJ)
- Pascal Le Boeuf (New York, NY)
- Rene Orth (Philadelphia, PA)
- Tracy Silverman (Nashville, TN)
- Dan VanHassel (Oakland, CA)
- Randy Woolf (Brooklyn, NY)

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