

TIBOR VARGA MUSIC ACADEMY – SUMMER SESSION 2023

RULES

Founded in 1962 by the famous violinist Tibor Varga, the Académie de Musique Tibor Varga (AMTV) takes place every summer and winter, hosting professors and students wanting to improve their musical skills. Lessons take several forms:

- Masterclasses: last one week (from Monday to Friday or Saturday). Take advantage of at least 3 private lessons of one hour each with the teacher of your choice. Intended for students graduated from a Conservatory or a University Music Department and for young professional musicians who want to work with new professors or prepare for an exam or competition. An accompanist is also present during part of the lessons.
- Pre-College Masterclasses: just like the Masterclasses, the Pre-College Masterclasses are intended for younger musicians from the age of 10 (at least 3 years of practice is required).
- Campus Musicus: This orchestra camp lasts two weeks and is designed for young musicians (from 10 to 20 years old). Rules and registration available at www.sion-campus.ch.

I DATES AND DEADLINES

The Academy will take place from 10 July to 12 August 2023.

15 March 2023	Registration opening with rate 1
28 April 2023	Registration deadline with rate 1
26 May 2023	Registration deadline with rate 2 and deadline for scholarship demands
From 27 May 2023	Late registration possible according to availability at rate 3* (on a first come, first served basis)
From 19 June 2023	Scholarship and registration validations
30 June 2023	Final closing of registrations

* Only if there are still places available, no scholarship applications possible.

2 REGISTRATION

Registration is exclusively available on-line via the Academy website, www.sion-academie.ch.

Students are personally notified of the confirmation of their enrolment as soon as the professor has validated their application and from 19 June 2023

3 MASTERCLASSES FEES

Masterclass Pre-College CHF 300.-

Masterclass CHF 450.-

Singing 10 days CHF 640.-

With the KulturLegi / Carte culture Card, offered by Caritas: - 30% on registration and course fees.

4 REGISTRATION FEES AND ACCOMMODATION FEES

Registration and accommodation fees vary depending on the date of the payment of all fees according to the table below:

Rates	Dates	Registration fees	Accommodation fees
Rate 1	Until 28 April 2023	CHF 100.-	CHF 35.- / night
Rate 2	From 29 April to 26 May 2023	CHF 150.-	CHF 40.- / night
Rate 3	From 27 May to 30 June 2023	CHF 200.-	CHF 45.- / night, subject to availability

If a student would like to benefit from accommodation, the cost must be paid immediately. The accommodation is only provided during the length of the masterclass (see section 9 ACCOMMODATION below).

5 PAYMENT

Registration for any masterclass will be validated only after receiving the whole fee (masterclass, registration, and accommodation fees). The date of payment of these fees determines the rate category (see section 1 DATES and DEADLINES)

Examples of how to calculate costs:

Masterclass and registration date	Masterclass fee	Registration fee	Accommodation fee	TOTAL
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Violin, M. Martin ✍ 15 April	450.-	+ 100.-	+ 210.- (6*35.-) (from 30.07 to 05.08)	760.-
Violin Pre-College, J. Zufferey ✍ 5 June	300.-	+ 200.-	+ 270.- (6*45.-) (from 06.08 to 12.08)	770.-
Singing, M. Habela ✍ 20 May	640.-	+ 150.-	+ 400.- (10*40.-) (from 03.08 to 13.08)	1'190.-

Bank details

Banque Cantonale du Valais - Place des Cèdres 8, CH - 1951 Sion,

Account: Fondation Sion Violon Musique, Place Ambuel 7, 1950 Sion

IBAN: CH57 0076 5000 0087 0582 6

SWIFT / BIC: BCVSCH2LXXX

CCP: 19-81-6

Information to the recipient: Please mention the student's and the professor's names

All bank charges are to be paid by the student.

If there is a difference in the amount of money transferred, the student will be asked to pay the difference in cash and in Swiss francs during his/her stay in Sion.

Secure on-line payment by credit card available directly on request. Pay attention that bank charges will be at your expense (4%).

Payments by cheque are not accepted.

6 CANCELLATION

In case of force majeure, a partial refund of the registration fees will be considered on presentation of proof (e.g. a medical certificate) in a timely manner. The Academy reserves the right to assess each situation on a case-by-case basis.

7 SCHOLARSHIPS

Following registration, scholarships can exceptionally be granted to students who satisfy the following conditions: under 25 years old (except for singers), difficult financial situation and outstanding musical results and references. The **CV**, a **video** and a **letter of motivation explaining the financial situation and the reasons** for the application are required at the time of application and are used as criteria for the award of scholarships.

Scholarship applications are processed and validated by professors and the Academy from 19 June 2023. Students will be personally notified by email within three weeks.

A scholarship is valued between CHF 150.- and CHF 300.-. The amount awarded will be reimbursed in cash and in Swiss francs when the student visits the Academy office.

8 NUMBER OF PARTICIPANTS

Professors generally welcome between 6 and 8 students. If too many students have applied for a course by the deadline for registration at rate 2, the masterclass will be closed, and the professor will make a selection on the basis of files and/or videos. The final decision is notified to students from 19 June 2023.

The selection criteria depend on **the date of registration** and the **teacher's choice**, with **priority given to the first enrolled students**.

Unsuccessful students are reimbursed the full fee (except for bank charges).

In case of insufficient students enrolled, the Academy reserves the right to cancel a masterclass. In this case, the entire fee is refunded (except for bank charges).

9 ACCOMMODATION

Students may take advantage of housing in private homes organised by the Academy only for the time of the masterclass. This organisation concerns only students from the Academy (for minors, one accompanying parent/person is accepted). **If a request for accommodation is made at the time of registration before 26 May, the Academy undertakes to find accommodation.** The student undertakes to pay the related fees.

A request for cancellation of accommodation can be sent by email to students@sion-academie.ch until 30 June 2023 at the latest, otherwise the full fee will be charged.

The handing over of the keys is indicated in the Accommodation Confirmation sent to the student at the latest one week before the masterclass (handing over of the keys either at the landlord's or at the Academy's office (key box)).

In most lodgings, but not all, students may play their instrument until 22:00, at the latest.

If the accommodation is left damaged or dirty or if a neighbour complains about noise at night (music after 22.00), the Academy reserves the right to charge additional fees.

The Academy offers the best possible accommodation according to the order of registration of students, but is not responsible for additional services (Wi-Fi, use of the kitchen, etc.). Accommodation fees are not refundable (see section 4 REGISTRATION FEES AND ACCOMMODATION FEES above).

If no accommodation request is made at the time of enrolment, the student must reserve his/her own lodging.

10 WELCOME AND TRANSPORT

All students must come personally to the Academy office during opening hours upon arrival or on the first day of the masterclass in order to get their student card and practical information. If you plan to arrive outside of opening hours, you are asked to inform the office.

Transport organisation and cost are borne by students.

11 OFFICE

The Academy office address is 7 Place Ambuel, 1950 Sion.

Opening hours:

- Monday to Friday: from 09:00 to 12:00 and from 13:30 to 17:00.
- Saturday: from 10:00 to 12:00 (at the Eglise des Jésuites)

Depending on concerts times, the office extends its opening hours.

12 PIANO ACCOMPANIMENT

Each student receives one hour and a half of piano accompaniment during the masterclass.

If any student wants to practice with the pianist outside of the hour already included in the masterclass, he/she may do so bilaterally must pay the pianist's additional expenses of CHF 65/hour. The Academy is not responsible in any way.

Singing masterclasses do not follow this rule. Piano accompaniment is all included in the masterclass fees.

Please do not forget to take all piano parts for the accompanist.

13 TEACHING AND WORKING ROOMS

Teaching and practice rooms are located in the old town of Sion, either in the Conservatoire Cantonal (13 Place du Scex), or in one of the two buildings of the University of Music – HEMU, Haute Ecole de Musique – (13 Rue du Vieux-Collège and 5 Rue de Gravelone).

The Academy provides students with several practice rooms with pianos, free of charge, from 8:30 to 22:00 daily. Students share the assigned practice rooms based on mutual understanding.

14 WELCOME PARTY

Every Tuesday evening from 7pm a welcome party takes place at “la Cave à Jazz” under the “Théâtre de Valère” (22 Rue du Vieux-Collège) with all students, teachers and the Academy staff.

15 CONCERTS

Throughout the Academy, several concert opportunities are organised (depending on the week and the health situation):

- Every Wednesday at 11:15 a concert with piano accompaniment takes place at the Musée de la Nature (12 Rue des Châteaux). A wine tasting is offered by the wine producers of Sion to the public. A free meal is provided to the musicians after the concert. Choice of musicians by the teachers.
- Every Thursday at 19:15 a concert with piano accompaniment takes place at the Arcades du Grand-Pont (24 Rue du Grand-Pont). A wine tasting is offered by the wine producers of Sion to the public. A free meal is provided to the musicians in a restaurant after the concert. Choice of musicians by the teachers.
- Several Friday evening at 20:00, a concert takes place in the village of Vex, located at 15 minutes from Sion by car. Departure from Sion at 18:30. A free meal is provided to the musicians after the concert. Return to Sion around 22:00. Choice of musicians by the teachers.
- Other concert opportunities may be available to students during the week. A free meal is provided to the musicians after the concert. Choice of musicians by the teachers.
- At the end of every masterclass, a closing concert takes place in the Eglise des Jésuites.

16 IMPROVISATION & JAZZ WORKSHOPS

Students have the opportunity to register for free improvisation & jazz workshops given in collaboration with the School of Jazz and Contemporary Music of Valais.

These free workshops are offered to students each week. They will take place depending on number of participants. They include two classes at the EJMA (10 Rue de la Dixence) and will be given by professional musicians.

Interested students must register online by checking the corresponding box in the registration form.

17 RIGHT

By submitting the online registration form, candidates agree to accept the general conditions of these rules, the French version of which is binding.

The Academy reserves the right to record, reproduce and broadcast free of charge, whether on the radio, television, video, CD, DVD or any other medium or format, all student performances. The same applies to any interviews and/or photo sessions granted to the Media.

18 ORGANISATION

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