REGULATIONS OF THE TRILLME FESTIVAL 2026

7th International Girls' Choir Festival Poznań, 16–20 September 2026

The Festival is organized by the Association of Friends of the SKOWRONKI Girls' Choir in cooperation with the ZAMEK Culture Centre in Poznań.

I. DATES

The Trillme Festival – 7th International Girls' Choir Festival will take place in Poznań from **16 to 20 September 2026**.

II. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

- 1. The Festival is open exclusively to amateur girls' choirs whose members are **between 12 and 19 years of age**.
- 2. The total number of participants per choir may not exceed **45 persons**, including **40 singers** and **5 accompanying adults** (conductor, accompanist, chaperones, drivers).
- 3. The Festival is non-competitive.
- 4. Choirs wishing to participate must submit by 15 February 2026:

By post (address: Trillme Festival, ul. Św. Marcin 80/82, 61-809 Poznań):

- o a legibly completed application form,
- o a CD or DVD recording of three a cappella works from the choir's current repertoire.

By e-mail (to: info@girlschoirfestival.pl):

- o the choir's CV,
- o a recent high-resolution horizontal photograph of the choir.
- 5. Qualification of choirs is determined by the Festival Artistic Council appointed by the organizers.
- 6. Choirs will be informed of the qualification results by **28 February 2026**.

III. FEES

Qualified choirs are required to pay the following:

• Registration fee: 2,500 PLN per choir

Participation fee: 200 PLN per person for the entire stay

The fees include:

- participation in Festival concerts,
- accommodation and meals for singers with host families,
- hotel accommodation for 5 accompanying adults (including conductor, accompanist, chaperones, drivers),

- participation in the official banquet,
- Festival gifts, including commemorative T-shirts.

The fees do not include:

- travel expenses,
- insurance,
- accommodation and meals for any additional adults accompanying the choir (beyond the 5 persons specified in Section II.2).

Fees must be paid by bank transfer **no later than 31 March 2026** to:

Stowarzyszenie Przyjaciół Chóru Dziewczęcego Skowronki im. M. Wróblewskiej ul. Św. Marcin 80/8261-809 Poznań

Bank account (PKO BP): 67 1020 4027 0000 1202 0365 2922

Failure to pay the registration or participation fees will be considered a withdrawal from the Festival.

In case of withdrawal after **30 April 2026**, both the registration and participation fees are **non-refundable**.

IV. PROGRAMME

- 1. Qualified choirs are required to prepare a varied programme with an emphasis on music from their home countries. The programme will be performed:
 - Thursday, 17th September (morning): school concerts in Poznań 35 minutes of free-choice repertoire
 - Friday, 18th September (evening): concerts in Poznań concert halls 30 minutes of free-choice repertoire
 - Saturday, 19th September: Gala Concert at the Adam Mickiewicz University
 Auditorium 3 free-choice pieces (up to 12 minutes), with emphasis on national
 repertoire.
- 2. All participating choirs are obliged to prepare the **final Festival piece**, which will be performed jointly at the Gala Concert on 19 September. The score will be sent to choirs after qualification.
- 3. The complete performance programme must be submitted electronically to info@girlschoirfestival.pl by 15 April 2026.

V. ACCOMMODATION AND LOGISTICS

- 1. The organizers provide accommodation for singers with host families of the SKOWRONKI Girls' Choir and hotel accommodation for 5 accompanying adults.
- 2. The organizers cover meal costs for choirs using the provided accommodation (first meal: dinner on 16 September; final meal: breakfast on 20 September).
- 3. Additional accommodation and meals for extra accompanying adults may be purchased.

- 4. Travel expenses must be covered by the choirs. Choirs without their own transport may request paid transportation arranged by the organizers during the Festival.
- 5. All Festival participants are required to hold **medical and hospitalization insurance**.

VI. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 1. Submission of the application constitutes consent to the **free recording and distribution** of the choir's artistic performances by any recording method.
- 2. The organizers are not responsible for any legal consequences resulting from the performance of copyrighted music without proper authorization.
- 3. Choirs and conductors do not receive remuneration for participation in concerts, radio or television recordings made during the Festival, or for any subsequent use or dissemination of such recordings.
- 4. All changes regarding the number of participants, meals, and accommodation must be reported by e-mail to the Festival Office (info@girlschoirfestival.pl) no later than 1 August 2026.