

**Harold Smart Competition 2009 (closing date 1 October 2009)**  
*RSCM Annual Composition Competition in Memory of Dr Harold Smart*

This year's competition is for a setting of an anthem written specifically for children's choirs, particularly at Primary School level.

The work submitted must be new and composed in 2009. The work should be a simple but interesting anthem not exceeding five minutes with the accompaniment (where required) not technically demanding. It should be written for a choral group to sing in worship, and may be in unison, two, or three upper vocal parts. The work as a whole should reflect contemporary musical styles.

Composers may choose their own words but must have permission for the use of any copyright text.

The closing date for the competition is 1 October 2009. Each composer may submit only one entry (**but please send in two copies of your entry**).

Entries should be submitted by post to Leah Smith at The Royal School of Church Music, 19 The Close, Salisbury, SP1 2EB, UK

Manuscripts should **not** bear the name of the composer. Entrants are required to complete a form supplied by the RSCM which they should attach to the manuscript, but which will not be seen by the adjudicators. Competitors who wish to have their manuscripts returned should supply a stamped addressed envelope of suitable size.

The winning entry will be awarded a prize of £100, and may be showcased in a service performed by the Salisbury Cathedral Junior Choir in 2010.

The Adjudicators reserve the right not to make an award if the standard of entries does not appear to warrant it. The adjudicators will not enter into any correspondence with competitors.

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