

A Song for 2014 – International Competition

Sr. M. Veronika Riechel/Central Team 2014. On the way to the jubilee of the covenant of love, the international Schoenstatt Family wants to SING and pray together. We are looking for a "Jubilee Hymn/Song 2014", as well as a setting for the motto "Your Covenant – our Mission" within the framework of an international competition.

"Music is the common language of all people," an American poet once said. In October 2014 thousands of pilgrims with their different languages will be coming to Schoenstatt in order to celebrate the jubilee of the foundation together. Which melody will accompany them in their days in Schoenstatt and Rome? With which words will they praise the Blessed Mother together? With what rhythms ringing in their ears will they return to their countries with new zeal and impetus for Schoenstatt's mission? All authors and composers who identify with Jubilee 2014 and the international Schoenstatt Family are warmly invited to answer these questions and take part in an international competition for the Jubilee Hymn/Song 2014 and finding a setting for the Motto for 2014. The winners of the competitions will receive a prize of a free participant's card for the Jubilee events from 16-19 October 2014 in Schoenstatt. Further instructions and information about the conditions for entry can be found in the international calls for proposals.

In addition to the competition, the international Schoenstatt Family is equally welcome to submit further songs or hymns that have been composed in preparation for the 2014 jubilee, and that are gladly sung in their countries. A selection of these "songs 2014" will contribute to arranging the jubilee celebrations in Schoenstatt and Rome. Perhaps ideas will develop to bring out a new CD of international Schoenstatt Songs for the 2014 jubilee.

Team 2014 will be happy to receive all your creative submissions that express Schoenstatt's spirituality in words that can be understood all over the world and need no translation – in the language of music! – while giving expression to our common anticipation of Jubilee 2014.

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