

# BERLINER KOMPOSITIONS-PREIS 2026

Press Release:

**Prize Winners of BKP 2026 - String Quartet** Berlin, 15 March 2026

The *Berliner Kompositionspreis 2026* awards its main prize ex aequo to **Simon Rivet** and **Antonino Caracò**. The prize money of €5,000 is shared equally between the two laureates. Two additional encouragement prizes of €1,000 each are awarded to **Edmund Song** and **João Pinto**.

With **65 applications from 28 countries across 5 continents**, the competition highlights its international resonance and its growing importance as a platform for contemporary composition.

Founded as an initiative of Sonarloft Berlin, under the artistic direction of **Konstantin Manaev, Wojciech Garbowski and Philipp Scheucher**, the Berliner Kompositionspreis is committed to fostering new compositional voices. This year's edition was significantly shaped by the expertise of composer **Konstantia Gourzi** as honorary jury member, and further supported by **Julia Smirnova** and **Ian Anderson**.

The competition is made possible through the generous support of the **Stiftung am Grunewald**.

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