

# The 46<sup>th</sup> Kusatsu International Summer Music Academy & Festival

## Audit class Application Guidelines

### Overview

The purpose of this Academy is not only to acquire superior playing techniques, but also to focus on providing wider musical experiences and knowledge through direct interactions with top musicians who are invited from all over the world.

### Theme for this year: Bach is Cool

### Duration

August 17th (Mon), 2026 –August 30th (Sun), 2026  
 \*Masterclass will be started after August 18<sup>th</sup> (Tue).

### Venues

In the area around Kusatsu Onsen Ski Resort  
 Kusatsu Ongakunomori Concert Hall and others

### Faculty and Schedule

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<p><b>Angelika Kirchschrager</b>                  Vocal / 18th–29th/ 12 people                  Chair of Lied-Oratorio-Concert at the University of Music in Vienna</p>	<p><b>Christopher Hinterhuber</b>                  Piano/ 18th–29th/ 12 people                  Professor for piano and deputy head of the piano department at the University for Music and performing Arts in Vienna</p>	<p><b>Anthony Spiri</b>                  Piano/ 18th–29th/ 12 people                  Professor of piano chamber music at Hochschule für Musik Köln</p>	<p><b>Karin Adam</b>                  Violin/ 18th–29th/12 people</p>
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<p><b>Enrico Bronzi</b>                  Violoncello/ 18th–24th/8people                  Professor at the Universität Mozarteum Salzburg</p>	<p><b>Thomas Indermühle</b>                  Oboe/ 18th–29th/ 12 people                  Professor at École Normale Alfred Cortot</p>	<p><b>Reinhold Friedrich</b>                  Trumpet/ 26th–29th/ 8 people                  professor at Staatliche Hochschule für Musik in Karlsruhe</p>	<p><b>Claudio Brizi</b>                  Organ/Cembalo/Basso Continuo                  18th-24th/6 people                  Professor at Conservatorio di Musica in Perugia</p>

\*Please note that schedule might be changed.

\*Undersubscribed classes might be cancelled.

**Fees [ Full period (August 17<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>)] 53,000 JPY including tax  
[ 7 days (please specify 7 consecutive days)] 35,000 JPY including tax**

\*The fee will cover the course, admissions for concerts and open lessons.

\*There will be no master classes on August 17<sup>th</sup> and the 30<sup>th</sup>, but there will be concerts, so you can listen to them.

\* When entering the concert, we may guide you to the chorus seats on busy days. Also, please refrain from bringing preschoolers with you.

\*The master class is scheduled to be held from August 18<sup>th</sup> to the 29<sup>th</sup>, but please be aware that the start and end dates of the master class may differ depending on the class. In addition, the cancellation date for each class is undecided until just before, so please check the official website or at the Academy office on site.

**Accommodation**

Those who wish to apply for accommodation through the academy office can also apply for accommodation at the time of Masterclass application.

For more information about accommodation, please contact our office.

\*In addition, if it is unavoidable to have an absence date during the period, please pay the accommodation fee for the absence.

**<About application>**

How to apply

Please apply online. URL : <https://kusa2.jp/en/>

Please attach a photo of your face that meets the following regulations to the application form.

As for how to fill out the form, please refer to the "Academy Application" page on the official website.

Photo in JPEG file

\*Please trim into square if you can.

\*A photo of the entire upper body square to the camera and taken within past 6 months.

\*File name must be included applicant's name. (e.g. Photo\_First name Last name)

Application Period

**12:00 (JST), Monday, June 1<sup>st</sup> - 16:00 (JST), Friday, July 31<sup>st</sup> in 2026.**

\*Please check confirmation e-mail that will be sent within 4 days after the completion of the application.

\*Admitted applicants will receive guideline for the class by the beginning of August via e-mail.

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