



Musical Instruments Sections

GRE: OPENING CEREMONY: 6 SEPTEMBER 2024

PERFORMANCE EISTEDDFOD: 11-16 SEPTEMBER 2024

GALA EVENTS: 10 – 12 OCTOBER 2024

GRE AWARDS CEREMONY: 10-12 OCTOBER 2024

ROUTEY AWARDS: 10-12 OCTOBER 2024

Venue : George Civic Centre

INTRODUCTION

PURPOSE

To motivate and encourage all musicians and give them the opportunity to gain experience on stage. To grow the music industry in the Garden Route and create opportunities for musicians to perform. It is not the intent to promote individual teachers or studios.

REQUIREMENTS TO ENTER

- Normal entries

Entries are open to students who are taking a class with a music teacher, school teacher or belonging to a music society or institution. Students are also accepted from schools where music is given as a subject.

- Independent entries

Open to all musicians and members of the public

ENTRY FEES

Registration fee per school/ studio : R150

Independent (Self-taught) entries will have no registration fees.

R85 per solo

R75 per participant in Group/band

Spectator's fee: (not applicable to teachers and participants) R20 per person.

MANAGEMENT

Management is open to suggestions for improvements which must be submitted in writing to the secretary for consideration. Urgent matters that require attention during the festival must be referred to the convenor via the secretary.



Management will not be held responsible for incorrect entries. It is the responsibility of teachers and individual entrants to ensure that all details are correct.

Management reserves the right to:

- Make amendments to rules should circumstances so dictate.
- Disqualify a studio, teacher, school, or competitor who does not comply with the rules or causes a public disturbance at any session or prize-giving and withhold any awards pertaining to such persons.
- Withdraw any section for which, in its opinion, an insufficient number of entries has been received. Alternatively, two or more sections may be joined together to make up the required numbers. If too many entries are received to fit into the time booked for the venue, some entries may also have to be rejected.

DISPUTES

Any disputes, protests, irregularities, must be submitted in writing, at the close of the respective session to the secretary, together with the names and addresses of two witnesses with corroborating evidence of the alleged irregularity.

THE ADJUDICATOR

The management shall select and appoint the annual adjudicator(s) and replace such appointed adjudicators in the event of illness or any other unforeseen circumstances. No private pupil, relative or person in the employ of the adjudicator may compete in the festival. A scribe will be appointed for the adjudicator, if requested by the adjudicator. No competitors/family members/teachers are permitted to communicate in any way before or during the Eisteddfod. Only daily officials may speak to or communicate with the adjudicator(s). Such infringement may disqualify a competitor. The Adjudicator's decision is final.

GENERAL

No parents or friends are allowed backstage - only teachers and competitors. If teachers need extra hands backstage to assist with props, prior arrangements must be made with the convenor.

THEATRE ETIQUETTE

Please do not enter or leave the theatre while a pupil is performing. Treat others with the same respect that you would want for your child while she/he is on stage. Strictly NO refreshments are allowed in the auditorium. Please ensure that cell phones are turned OFF while in the auditorium.

VIDEO EQUIPMENT AND CAMERAS

No photographic or video equipment is permitted in the auditorium.

A professional photographer and videographer will be available. Students and teachers will only be allowed to order photos and videos of their own performances.



REPORTS AND CERTIFICATES

Competitors in each section do not directly compete against each other. Each competitor is adjudicated independently and awarded a grade based on the standard of their performance.

The possible grades together with their equivalent percentages are shown in the adjacent table.

Every competitor will receive a certificate.

All competitors should stay for adjudication at the end of the session.

Special awards and trophies will be forfeited if the performer/teacher is not present to accept it.

Reports and Certificates will be ready after adjudication.

ENTRY INFORMATION

Entries must be done on the Eventer website. No entry will be accepted by email (no exceptions). Details on how to register on the website will follow closer to the time that we open registration portal.

Please have the following ready when submitting entries.

- 1. Name of Studio**
- 2. Name and Surname of all participants**
- 3. Date of birth of all participants**
- 4. Name of all entries (group, band)**
- 5. Music of all entries**
- 6. Category of all participants**
- 7. Duration Time of item**
- 8. All fees. (After registration there will be a 24-hour slot to pay entry fees in full. If unpaid entries will have to be loaded again.) (NO cash will be accepted)**

Entry portal will open 1 June 2024 and close 10 August 2024. The portal will close automatically so please be sure to submit entries on time.

First draft of program will be sent 15 August 2024, after which the portal will open for final changes (spelling errors, changing of dancers, final music fixes etc.) The entry process will end 23 August 2024.

NO CHANGES after this date. This will be our final program after which changes will be done on the day (scratches).

GRADE	DESCRIPTION
A+++	95%-100% DBL GOLD
A++	90%-94% DBL GOLD
A+	85%-89% GOLD
A	80%-84% GOLD
B+	75%-79% SILVER
B	70%-74% SILVER
B-	65%-69% SILVER
C	UNDER 65 RED



Performers must be available to perform at any time during the specified dates. Special requests will be dealt with on merit only.

The administrative work involved to get a program scheduled is a mammoth task and this is the reason we ask that all information be correct and submitted on time, and all studio lists on Eventer thoroughly checked for errors.

We will not correct errors overlooked by teachers after the final lists have been sent out. If pupil names or section errors have occurred and are not picked up and corrected by the teacher, the organisers will not take responsibility for such oversights.

IT IS THE TEACHER'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CHECK ALL LISTS THOROUGHLY!! Your entry money must accompany your entries. Please provide proof of payment. No refunds will be done in case of withdrawal.

Banking details:

Bank: First National Bank

Account name: Garden Route Eisteddfod NPC

Account number: 629 370 013 45

Branch code: 250655

Deposit reference: YOUR INVOICE NUMBER GENERATED ON EVENTER

SECTION DETAILS

INTRODUCTION

This part of the syllabus describes the entry section numbers that are used, and how they are derived. The intention is to make the section numbers as simple as possible.

ABBR	INSTRUMENT
S	STRINGED INSTRUMENTS
WW	WOODWIND INSTRUMENTS
P	PERCUSSION INSTRUMENTS
PK	PIANO OR KEYBOARD
B	BRASS INSTRUMENTS

ABBR	GENRE
F	CLASSICAL
PCC	CONTEMPORARY AND CLASSICAL CROSSOVER
OC	OWN COMPOSITION

ABBR	SECTION
S	SOLO
D	DUET
E	ENSEMBLE
DA	DUET WITH TEACHER ACCOMPANIMENT



AGE GROUPS

A competitors' age is taken from the 1 January 2024. The main sections are divided into the following age groups.

If there are too many entrants in a particular age group, then the section will be split into as many parts as is needed.

ABBR	AGE GROUP	DESCRIPTION
S08	8 YEARS & UNDER	INDIVIDUAL
S09	9 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S10	10 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S11	11 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S12	12 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S13	13 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S14	14 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S15	15 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S16	16 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S17	17 YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
S18	18 & YEARS	INDIVIDUAL
SAA	ANY AGE	INDIVIDUAL OLDER THAN 18 YEARS

PERFORMER STATUS LEVEL

Provision is made for the following performer status levels. This is to ensure that performers of similar musical experience fall in the same sections.

ABBR	LEVEL	DESCRIPTION
N	NOVICE	NOT COMPETED BEFORE OR SCORED A AND UNDER IN NOVICE
PA	PRE-AMATEUR	SCORED A+ AND ABOVE IN NOVICE OR HIGHER STANDARD
A	AMATEUR	SCORED A+ AND ABOVE IN PRE-AMATEUR
AD	ADVANCED	SCORED A+ IN AMATEUR SECTION
PRO	PROFESSIONAL	PERFORMERS THAT RECEIVE MONEY FOR PERFORMING
C	CHAMPIONSHIPS	SCORED A+ AND ABOVE IN AMATEUR SECTION AND WANTS TO COMPETE IN CHAMPIONSHIPS
-	NO STATUS	8 YEARS AND YOUNGER



STATUS AND AGE FOR GROUP ITEMS

The oldest age and MAJORITY status of the competitors in group items determine the age group and status of the group.

TIME LIMITS

The universal time limit for all sections is 6 minutes. This is the maximum time that is allowed. Any shorter time is permitted. Should an item exceed the maximum time, then the management reserves the right to draw the curtain, stop the music, or disqualify the item. If your item is longer than the maximum time allowed, then you must apply to the festival management for a concession, giving the exact time of the item. **The exact times of items must be specified at time of entry in minutes and seconds**, so that the festival programme can be accurately scheduled.

All performers must be ready backstage 15 minutes before the scheduled time.

REHEARSALS

There is no time for any rehearsals at the venue before the Eisteddfod.

COSTUMES

Costumes should be kept simple and tasteful. See appropriate attire per section. Make-up is only allowed in relevant sections. Costumes and make-up will not influence the marking.

Participants will lose marks if they wear revealing costumes or portray negative messages in their items. Outfits should be age appropriate.

PROPS

Props must be kept to a minimum and must be limited such that the performer(s) are able to position and remove these themselves unless appropriate notice is given to the management. Please send a detailed prop list one week prior to eisteddfod.

SPECIAL LIGHTING

Items are to use the normal stage lighting only. The physical layout and positioning of the daily lights may NOT be changed under any circumstances, as there is no time between the items to re-set the normal lighting.

MUSIC

It is the teacher's responsibility to prepare their music on a clearly marked memory stick if audio files are used. Together with a detailed list of which filenames and/or track number corresponds to which item. This is a requirement in addition to the music uploaded onto Eventer website. This is a precaution should there be any issues with the format or download quality from Eventer. All sheet music should also be uploaded on Eventer.

EQUIPMENT & TECHNICAL

A list of available equipment that will be supplied by the eisteddfod will be communicated prior to the eisteddfod. Please note that the equipment on the stage will be a standard setup. Under no circumstances will any instruments or equipment be moved for a specific performance. Students should supply their own instruments.



Instrumental criteria 2024:

Nr	Item	Percentage
1	Technique	25
2	Stylistic Interpretation	20
3	Musicality	20
4	Tone	15
5	Performance	20

GALA EVENT

Adjudicator will select performances from eisteddfod to take part in our Gala event.

Please note:

1. The Adjudicator reserves the right to choose to invite **any** performance that was formally entered into the eisteddfod
2. Teachers/performer may accept or decline the invitation
3. If a spot on the program becomes available due to a performance that does not accept the invitation, the adjudicator will select the next performance to be invited.
4. Gala event is a combination of all the performances from eisteddfod (dance, drama, music etc.)
5. Gala event program and theme is decided by the creative director of the Gala event (to be selected by eisteddfod management annually)
6. The creative director will inform studios/performers of the format in which the performance, selected by adjudicator, will be performed. (For example, order of performance, some of our drama students may be invited as presenters only etc.)
7. Please note the teacher/performer may decline the invitation, but if accepted it is expected that they will comply to the regulations, rules, guidelines etc. set out by creative director. (For example, handling of props, introduction of performances, entry into audience etc.)
8. We fully understand that each studio has its own rules and regulations (and our creative director will take all into consideration).
9. Gala event is created as a privilege for all the performers to display their talents in one concert. The owners and organizers rely solely on ticket sales for funding of the event (venue, staff, prizes, cash prizes etc.) Therefore performers taking part will be required to comply to rules or forfeit their participation opportunity as no extra entry fee is charged for this event.
10. To co-ordinate a concert involving various art forms and various studios, teachers, and performers we will rely on the creative director the take lead on operations to ensure a fun, safe and excellent quality event.
11. Due to volume of entries and logistics regarding production time it will be the adjudicators responsibility to rank their choices of Gala invitations, however only available slots on program will be filled. (For example if the adjudicator suggests 10 instrumental items but production only have 5 slots available on the program the top 5 instrumental items will be invited)