General Rules

The 10th Bucharest International Jazz Competition, 14 - 21 May 2016, is open to bands and vocalists of all nationalities. Applicants must be born after 1st of May 1981.

Competition Procedure

Eligibility
Bands may have up to 6 performing musicians and they may include:
  • instrumentalists and vocalists
  • instrumentalists
  • vocalists

1st Round - Selection of semi-finalists
The admissions panel and adjudicators will evaluate each application and CD. Recording must have been made within the past 12 months. The CD must include 2-3 pieces of different style.

2nd Round - Semi-final on 14 – 20 May
  • Semi-finalists will perform 50 - 60 minutes in the competition’s concert hall
  • Semi-finalists will perform 50 - 60 minutes in an unconventional space
  • Semi-finalists will perform 50 - 60 minutes in jam sessions
Competitors have complete freedom in choosing their repertoire.

3rd Round - Final on 21 May
Finalists will perform 20 minutes.

Competition Entry Requirements

Registration in the competition will be made based on:

1. CD – digital documents, which must include:
   a. recordings for the competition
   b. application form - Annex A
   c. two different group photos, color, landscape format, min 1MB
   d. short CV of the group - max. 10 lines
   e. technical rider
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2. printed documents
   b. copy of identity card for EU citizens or passport, for all musicians
   c. one photo, passport type for each group's member
   d. two different group photos, color, landscape format, 10x15 cm
   e. copy of the bank confirmation for the registration fee

All the above, CD and documents will be sent by mail, not by e-mail.
The postal address is:
   jmEvents
   C.P. 13 - 63, Bucuresti 13, Romania
Please mention on the envelope: “Application for jazz competition”.

The registration fee for one application / group is 120 Euro and will be paid by
bank transfer as follows:
Amount: 120 Euro. The payment will be sent free of charge to the payee.
Recipient: jmEvents
IBAN Account: RO82 BACX 0000 0004 3583 4003
Bank name: Unicredit Tiriac Bank - Izvor Branch
Address: 20 Libertatii Blvd., 050707 Bucharest
Swift Code: BACXROBU
Subject: Registration fee BIJC for ............( band’s name )
Drafts ( bank cheques ) are not accepted.

The entry fee is non-refundable. The registration fee will be refunded only to
those competitors who have complete application documents and are not
accepted in the Semi-final based on the recordings.

Registration deadline is February 10, 2016 - date of postmark at sender.
Confirmation of the applicants' registration in the competition will be made
before March 1, 2016.

The participants will have a professional technician and sound system along
with backline of drum kit, acoustic or digital piano, bass amplifier, guitar
amplifier and microphones.

Organizers provide lodging for the first 5 registered musicians in the
competition. Accommodation begins on May 14, 2016 and is ensured for the
period the participants remain in contest. For the rest of the candidates, the
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organizers will make hotel reservations upon request, based on special accommodation packages offer.

Upon arrival in Bucharest each group / all members should report to the Competition Secretariat and present a valid passport / identity card.

The total amount of the prizes is 7.000 Euro: cash, in Romanian currency and concerts engagements.
  • Grand Prize Winner 1.200 Euro
  • Special Prize - Best Band 400 Euro
  • Special Prize - Best Vocalist 400 Euro
  • 3 – 5 concerts engagements for one or two finalist bands

The prize-winners will have priority in being included in the programs organized by jmEvents both nationally and abroad.

Final performers will receive diplomas, upon request. Prizes will be awarded by a Jury whose members are well known personalities of the jazz musical world.
The Jury will use the standard criteria as:
  • style / interpretation
  • improvisation
  • technique / diction / articulation
  • musicality
  • time and rhythm
  • intonation

The public preference will be considered for the final decision. All the decisions of the Jury are final and non-appealable.

Each award-winner must receive his or her prize personally the next day after the Gala Concert. Any claim for the prizes after this date is not accepted. The concerts will be broadcast by the Broadcasting Corporation or recorded for later transmission. A live or deferred broadcast by other Romanian or foreign Broadcasting Corporations is possible, as well as a complete or partial re-broadcast of the concerts on mass-media or online channels. By applying to take part in the competition, the applicants give their implied consent for this recording as well as for its transmission under the conditions mentioned above. The participants and the prize-winners have no claim to additional fees.
During the development of Bucharest International Jazz Competition, you are not allowed to perform in any other spaces except for those of this competition.

The infringement of rules has as consequence the exclusion from the competition, which is irrevocable, and/or taking pecuniary measures.

For further information, please don’t hesitate to contact us!

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