

International Accordion Competition “City of Albufeira”

7th and 8th July 2017

Address: Edifício de Olhos de Água /Albufeira
Rua 12 de Julho
8200-633 Olhos de Água, Albufeira
Inscriptions: Until 6th July 2017

Rules and regulations

1. Presentation

The International Accordion Competition “City of Albufeira” it is open for accordionists from any country and any age. It has an annual periodicity and its main purposes are:

- a) To stimulate and encourage people for learning the Accordion;
- b) To compare and exchange different teaching methods and methodologies;
- c) To contribute for an artistic level and high execution quality of the Accordion in the Algarve;
- d) To promote moments of interaction among the interpreters, teachers and community.

2. Organization

2.1 – The Algarve Accordion Association organizes the 1st edition of the International Accordion Competition “City of Albufeira” to be held on 7th and 8th July 2017 in the village of Olhos de Água - Albufeira.

2.2 – Competitors can apply for the following categories:

Concert Soloist

Beginner A
Beginner B
Infantile
Juvenile
Junior
Senior
Veteran
Jazz Accordion

Varieté Soloist

Beginner A
Beginner B
Infantile
Juvenile
Junior
Senior
Veteran

Ensemble

Duo
Trio
Quartet
Chamber Music
Orchestra

2.3 - Registration of candidates / groups will take place on 7th July 2017, between 9 a.m. and 12 (midday) at Olhos de Água – Albufeira’s Council Building (Rua 12 de Julho, 8200-633 Olhos de Água, Albufeira). The draw (order for candidate’s presentation) will be made in the same place at 3 p.m.

2.4 - The final results will be announced to the public after the end of all categories.

2.5 - The winner of each category will be invited to perform a piece at the closing ceremony - 8th July - 9.30 p.m. - Chapel of Nossa Senhora de Fátima - Olhos de Água.

3. Conditions for admission

Soloists (Concert / Variété)

- 3.1** - Beginner A: maximum 7 years old on 1st July 2017.
- 3.2** - Beginner B: between 8 and 9 years old on 1st July 2017.
- 3.3** - Infantile: between 10 and 12 years old on 1st July 2017.
- 3.4** - Juvenile: between 13 and 15 years old on 1st July 2017.
- 3.5** - Junior: between 16 and 17 years old on 1st July 2017.
- 3.6** - Senior: 18 years old and further on 1st July 2017.
- 3.7** - Veteran: more than 50 years old and further on 1st July 2017.
- 3.8** - Jazz Accordion Category: no age limit

Duos, Trios, Quartets and Orchestra

- 3.9** - Duo: no age limit
- 3.10** - Trio: no age limit
- 3.11** - Quartet: no age limit
- 3.12** - Chamber music: no age limit
- 3.13** - Orchestra: no age limit

4. Rules

- 4.1** - All candidates / groups must present **three contrasting works**.
- 4.2** - The presentation of each participant / group will be in one round.
- 4.3** - In the Juvenile, Junior and Senior Concert categories, candidates must submit a concertant program using instruments with converter system.
- 4.4** - In the Variété categories, the program must be light music.
- 4.5** - Chamber Music groups must include one accordionist.
- 4.6** - Orchestras must present specific repertoire written for orchestral group.
- 4.7** - The selection of the competitors program must take into account the style and the characteristics of the category.

5. Jury

- 5.1** - The Jury will consist of teachers and instrumentalists renowned in particular for Accordion.
- 5.2** - The Jury will evaluate the candidates / groups taking into account the following parameters: Technical Execution, Rhythmic Regularity, Sound Quality and Memorization.
- 5.3** - The jury's decision will be final and without appeal.
- 5.4** - The jury reserves the right not to award 1st, 2nd or 3rd prizes.
- 5.5** - Candidates for the competition may carry out their memory test or score. In case of equality (marks), the jury will decide in favor of the competitor / group that performed by memory.
- 5.6** - Applicants may present themselves in the category corresponding their age or in a higher category but never in a lower category.
- 5.7** - Applicants may participate in more than one category (Concert, Variété or Ensemble), however, the program to be presented can not be repeated.
- 5.8** - Winners of previous editions will not be allowed to join the same category.

6. Awards

- 6.1 - All candidates will receive a diploma of participation.
- 6.2 - The Winner of each category will receive a trophy.
- 6.3 - The organization reserves the right to invite the most prominent participants to hold a concert of laureates in a place and date to be defined.

7. Registration

- 7.1 - The candidates must send the application form by mail or E-mail to:
Algarve Accordion Association
Patã de Baixo
C.P. 304 Z
8200-081 Albufeira
Tel: 919054941
E-mail: goncalopescada@sapo.pt
- 7.2 - All participants must send with the application form, a document proving their age.
- 7.3 - All participants must send 3 copies of the program (can be delivered on the competition's day).
- 7.4 - The registration deadline will end on 6th July 2017, admitting as valid the newsletters received by mail with a date equal or before the date quoted.
- 7.5 - The Organization reserves the right to verify the programs presented, as well as its due classification in the categories of the Competition.

8. Inscription fees:

Soloist Concert	Soloist Varieté	Ensemble
Beginner A } Beginner B } 15 € Infantile }	Beginner A } Beginner B } 15 € Infantile }	Duo } Trio } 30 € Quartet } Chamber Music }
Juvenile } Junior } 20 € Senior } Veteran } Jazz Accordion }	Juvenile } Junior } 20 € Senior } Veteran }	Orchestra – 50 €

- 8.1 - Under no circumstances will there be a refund of the registration fee.
- 8.2 - Enrollment means the knowledge and acceptance of all the rules and regulations.

9. General Conditions

9.1 – All Competitors must read carefully the rules to avoid any non-compliance with the competition, with consequent disqualification.

9.2 - The competition hall will be available on 7th July for rehearsals.

9.3 – After receiving all applications, the organization will draw a test map so that all participants can try the competition's hall.

9.4 - All participants are responsible for their costs of travel, accommodation and meals.

9.5 - All cases omitted in this regulation will be treated by the Artistic Direction of the 1st International Accordion Competition "City of Albufeira".

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7th and 8th JULY 2017"**

INSCRIPTION

Name _____

Address _____

Phone number _____ Mobile _____

Email: _____ Date of birth _____

Music School _____ Teacher _____

Category * _____

PROGRAM

	Piece	Composer	Duration
1			
2			
3			

Note: For those candidates who pretend to participate in different categories it's necessary to fulfill another inscription form.