2024 CHE BANDONEON INTERNATIONAL COMPETITION

The 2024 Che Bandoneon InternationalCompetition is open to bandoneon players of all nationalities and at least 18 years of age by August 1, 2024. All application materials must be submitted using the online application form. The preliminary round is held online. The Finals of the Competition will be held in Stowe, Vermont USA from August 6 – 19 as a part of the 2024 Stowe Tango Music Festival. The 2023 competition's first place winner is not eligible to compete.

Apply: http://stowetangomusicfestival.com/CheBandoneonApplication.php

TIMELINE

March 31: Application Deadline

April 30: Video Submission Deadline **May 7**: Announcement of the Finalists

August 6: Finalists arrive to Stowe
August 16: Competition Finals
August 17: Award Ceremony
August 19: Departure from Stowe

APPLICATION FEE

There is a \$25 application fee, payable by check or by online via Paypal (major credit cards are accepted). You must pay the application fee to complete your application. This fee is non-refundable.

COMPETITION PRIZES

First Place: \$2500 (USD) Second Place: \$1500 (USD) Third Place: \$1000 (USD)

All finalists will receive full Scholarship to 2024 Tango Academy and Bandoneon Workshop. The festival has the right to invite more or less than 3 finalists.

PRELIMINARY ROUND REQUIREMENTS

Recorded Video Submission - Deadline: April 30

All contestants of the 2024 Che Bandoneon Competition are required to submit videos of:

• One solo of contestant's choice that does not exceed 10 minutes. The contestants should choose piece that best represents their ability on bandoneon and their musicality.

• One traditional tango from the selection of pieces chosen by the competition committee. You will receive three pieces on April 1, 2024 via email. You will choose one piece to learn and record by the April 30 deadline.

IMPORTANT: The competition will only accept the recorded videos uploaded to YouTube. After uploading, the contestant must complete the <u>Video Submission</u> Form by April 30.

Please read the <u>Competition Video Guidelines and YouTube Instructions</u> and follow the directions on how to submit your preliminary round videos via YouTube and learn to make an acceptable video clip for the competition.

Professional equipment and/or studio space is not necessary.

FINAL ROUND REQUIREMENTS

All finalists of the Che Bandoneon Competition are required to:

- Rehearse and perform with Stowe Tango Music Festival Orchestra, the first bandoneon part of ONE orchestral work (orquesta tipica)
- Perform one solo of contestant's choice that is different from the first round.

FINAL ROUND INFORMATION

- All finalists must plan their own travel to and from Stowe, Vermont, arriving on Tuesday, August 6, 2024 and departing on Monday August 19, 2024. The festival can provide ground transportation from and to Burlington International Airport.
- The accommodation and meals will be sponsored by the Argentine Tango Society.
- Contestants must plan to stay for the whole duration in order to rehearse with the Stowe Tango Music Festival Orchestra.
- The final round of the competition will be held on Friday, August 16 and the award ceremony will be held on Saturday, August 17. In the finals, the contestants will perform their solo and the orchestral works.
- Each foreign participant is responsible for obtaining a Visa to enter the U.S. if you are selected for the final round, which will be held in Stowe, Vermont. In the case that you do not comply with this requirement before July 15, 2024, you may be replaced by the next candidate who qualifies for the final round.

For more information or assistance with your online application, please contact us by email: BandoneonCompetition@gmail.com