

# IRISH ACCORDION ASSOCIATION

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## IRISH OPEN ACCORDION FESTIVAL 2014

Dear Teachers,

The above festival will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> April 2014 in the Castle Arch Hotel, Trim, Co. Meath (about 30km north of Dublin).

Attached, please find List of Test Pieces, Entry Fees and Set of Rules for the forthcoming festival.

The closing date is 28<sup>th</sup> February 2014. If you intend to travel from abroad, please notify me as soon as you can.

Please note that there are new sections which replace the age group sections. These are specifically for students that you feel have the capability of playing to a higher standard. If students enter these sections, they are not allowed enter the test piece/own choice sections.

If you have any queries, or wish to register an interest, please contact me at the above address or e-mail me at [chilton\\_accordion@hotmail.com](mailto:chilton_accordion@hotmail.com).

Yours sincerely

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**RULES & REGULATIONS**  
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1. There is no restriction on make or size of instrument used by contestants.
2. A person (other than percussion player(s)) may only perform once in any category (A-H). Competitors who enter category B are not eligible to play in category A and vice versa. A player may not play the same piece in more than one section.
3. There will be a draw for playing order to which contestants must adhere or risk disqualification.
4. Amplification and limited electronics may be used in Orchestral sections.
5. There must be a minimum of 6 accordions in each Orchestra.
6. There will be a setting up time of 10 minutes for each Orchestra. One penalty mark for every minute, or part thereof, will be deducted after this time has elapsed. The first Orchestra in each section will not be allowed access to the stage until 10 minutes before the competition is due to commence.
7. In all sections, players may not play the same piece(s) in successive years.
8. Ensemble sections must have a minimum of 3 and a maximum of 6 players. The bass may be amplified. No conductor is allowed.
9. Original music (or legal photocopies) must be submitted to the Adjudicator's clerk for all sections except the test piece sections and the traditional sections.
10. Prizewinners (1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>) in the following sections must compete in a higher standard section in subsequent years. (a) Primary, Preparatory and Junior solos (Test piece and own choice) (b) Higher Junior & Intermediate Solos (1<sup>st</sup> prizewinners only), (c) A duet/ensemble with the same players (1<sup>st</sup> prizewinner only) up to and including Junior standard.
11. Competitors may only enter the Elementary Solo and Preliminary Solo once.
12. In orchestral sections, an orchestra that wins 1<sup>st</sup> prize in 2 successive years must enter a higher section in subsequent years.
13. In the Concertista Recital section, prizes will be awarded at the discretion of the Adjudicator.
14. A player cannot compete in a duet/ensemble that is a lower grade than his/her own solo grade. Higher Junior players may enter Junior Duet section.
15. Age limits apply as at 1<sup>st</sup> January.
16. Competitors using photocopied music illegally are liable to disqualification.
17. Any performance may be terminated at the discretion of the Adjudicator.
18. The adjudicator's decision shall be final and binding in all cases.
19. The interpretation of the above rules and regulations is subject to the decision of the organising committee.

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<u>CAT.</u>	<u>NAME OF SECTION</u>	<u>TEST PIECE</u>	<u>TIME LIMIT</u>	<u>ENTRY FEE</u>
A	Elementary Solo	Tricksy ( <i>S. Brennan</i> ) available through <i>I.A.A.</i>		€15
A	Preliminary Solo	Etude 1a(Draeger)(Accordion Progression 1-Helbling)		€15
A	Primary Solo	Das weisse Katzenbaby (A. Jekic) (und die Huhner tanzen dazu)		€16
	Primary Solo Own Choice	Any Grade 1 RIAM piece (Royal Irish Academy of music - list available <a href="http://www.riam.ie">www.riam.ie</a> )		€16 (25)
A	Preparatory Solo	Flinke Finger (Schneider) (Einfach Akkordeon Band 3 - Youngstar Musikverlage/Jetelina)		€18
	Preparatory Solo Own Choice	Any Grade 2 RIAM piece		€18 (30)
A	Junior Solo	Spanische Romanze (Anon, arr. A. Jekic) (Akkordeon Power - Verlag Purzelbaum/Jetelina)		€19
	Junior Solo Own Choice	Any Grade 3 RIAM piece		€19 (32)
A	Higher Junior Solo	Any Grade 4 RIAM piece		€20
A	Intermediate Solo	Any Grade 5 RIAM piece		€20
A	Higher Intermediate Solo	Any Grade 6 RIAM piece		€20
A	Senior Solo	Any Grade 7 RIAM piece	5'	€20
A	Adult/Late Starter Solo	Free Choice	4'	€18
B	Primo Recital (Born 2004 or later)	Free Choice Programme	2'-4'	€20
B	Secondo Recital (Born 2002 or later)	Free Choice Programme	3'-5'	€20
B	Terzo Recital (Born 2000 or later)	Free Choice Programme	4'-6'	€22
B	Quarto Recital (Born 1998 or later)	Free Choice Programme	5'-8'	€22
B	Grande Recital (any age)	Free Choice Programme	6'-9'	€25
B	Concertista Recital	Free Choice Programme	10-15'	€25
E	Traditional Solo Under 12 (Born 2002 or later)	Any one of: (AABB) The Britches Full of Stitches, Maggie in the Wood, The Liltin' Banshee, The Kesh <i>All pieces available <a href="http://www.thesession.org">www.thesession.org</a></i>		€15
	Traditional Solo Under 15 (Born 1999 or later)	Any one of: (AABB) The Fairy Queen, The Rights of Man, The Leitrim Jig, Cooley's Reel <i>All pieces available <a href="http://www.thesession.org">www.thesession.org</a></i>		€16
	Open Traditional Solo	Free Choice	5'	€20
F	Primary Duet	Echo Waltz (Palmer Hughes Bk.2)		€16
F	Preparatory Duet	Asparagus Tips (F. Tedesco - Our First Accordion Duet Book) (Ernest Deffner)		€18
F	Junior Duet	Hotline by Jekic, available through <i>I.A.A.</i>		€19
F	Under 16 Ensemble (all players born 1998 or later)	Free Choice	5'	€20
F	Open Ensemble	Free Choice	8'	€20
G	Primary Orchestra	My Grandfather's Clock (trad arr J Chilton)		€25
G	Preparatory Orchestra	1 piece from Preparatory Orchestra list (attached)		€30
G	Junior Orchestra	1 piece from Elementarstufe, List für Akkordeon Orchester, ( <a href="http://www.dhv-ev.de">www.dhv-ev.de</a> )		€35
G	Intermediate Orchestra	1 piece from Mittelstufe, List für Akkordeon Orchester, ( <a href="http://www.dhv-ev.de">www.dhv-ev.de</a> )		€40
G	Senior Orchestra	Free Choice Programme - of a standard equal to Oberstufe/Höchststufe (DHV)	15'	€50
G	Late Starter Orchestra	Free Choice	5'	€25
H	Entertainment Orchestra	Free Choice - Light/Pop/Folk music	8'	€35