

The International Violin Bridge Competition 2021



COMPETITION RULES

The purpose of the International Violin Bridge Competition is to aesthetically compare and celebrate the standards of violin family bridges cut by contemporary violin maker and restorers worldwide and to highlight and award its best entries. Not to compare sound.

Due to Covid 19 worldwide restrictions the 2021 competition will take place online via the website violinbridges.co.uk and will be divided into the following categories:

- a) Violin
- b) Viola
- c) Violoncello
- d) Other

The competition is open to all with no limitation as to nationality, sex or age.

Rules:

1) Bridges must be sent in good time to arrive no later than the advertised closing date to be published on violinbridges.co.uk.

a) must be submitted via mail to IVBC21, Violinbridges, Ivy cottage, Swan lane, Llangattwg, Powys, Wales, NP8 1PE, U.K

b) must be completed, signed, and dated which implies acceptance of all rules relating to this Competition. The application must also include the following:

c) Each registration must include a copy of the website payment receipt.

d) First name, surname, date of birth, nationality, and complete address of the entrant, as well as the date and place of cutting of the bridge. If entered by employer, employers name and contacts.

e) a brief curriculum vitae and two photographs in colour of the contestant

f) By Signing this application form applicant authorises the organisation to:

– reproduce and publish the photographs of the applicant and the bridge in question.

The registration fees will not be reimbursed if the applicant decides not to participate in the Competition after the organisers have confirmed admission.

Incomplete registrations will not be considered, nor will they be returned to the applicant. However best efforts will be made to try and contact the applicant.

Payments Online via the website violinbridges.co.uk or by bank transfer are to be made to:

Bank details:

G. V KilBride

BIC/SWIFT: ABBYGB2LXXX

IBAN: GB41ABBY09012775418452

Reference: Violin Bridges

h) Each contestant may submit no more than two bridges per category and no more than 8 in total. If a shop with multiple employees, the limit is as above per person.

The Bridges presented must have been cut the year of the competition and dated underneath the arch. In this format Day/Month/Year 21/12/21

2) The jury will not admit Bridges to the Competition that:

- a) do not arrive before the published deadline.
- b) are not cut by the applicant or their employees.
- c) attempt to defame, impersonate, slander or mis represent others.
- d) are unanimously considered by the jury, to be incompatible with the level of the competition.

3) The Bridge Entry must be sent by tracked postage to the competition address above before or on the closing date advertised on the site.

All expenses concerning shipment are to be met by the applicant, parcels should be marked as commercial samples and having £0 value for customs, the organisers will not be responsible for any extra duties or payments.

4) All decisions of the jury are final.

5) Each entry will be awarded a maximum of 400 points (100 points per juror).
Each mark - from 1 to 10

i) workmanship, ii) material choice [unconventional ones not excluded if their purpose will be manifest] , iii) finish, iv) design and function, v) overall appearance and style (including the branded signature)

6) The Competition offers four awards:

- for the best violin bridge: gold, silver, merit.
- for the best viola bridge: gold, silver, merit.
- for the best violoncello bridge: gold, silver, merit.
- for the best Other bridge : gold, silver, merit.

All contestants admitted to the competition will receive a certificate of participation and will be added to the violinbridges.co.uk permanent archive, submitted bridges will become part of a permanent collection which will be loaned to violin making schools.

A selection of Bridges will be added to the next Violin Bridges Book published by Black Mountains Press 2022.

7) The competition deadline, results and closing date may change due to international postage or events beyond our control.

8) The award ceremony will take place on the date advertised and the results will be posted on violinbridges.co.uk

9) In the event of any controversy arising from the interpretation or the application of the above Rules the organisers decision is final.

REGISTRATION FORM

Surname

First name

Address

City

State/Province

Postal Code

Tel /Home

Work

E-mail

Shop/ Employers Name if appropriate:

Their Contact details:

I would like to enter The International Violin Bridge Competition in the following Categories:

Please list how many in each category, NB maximum of two per category.

Violin (s)

Viola (s)

Cello (s)

Other

Total enrolment fee paid:

Registration payment receipt/ invoice number.

By signing this registration form I confirm that I have read, understood, and accepted all the rules and regulations which govern this competition, without exception. I declare moreover that I meet the conditions necessary to take part in the Competition.

(name)

(signed)



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