

The International Violin Bridge Competition 2022



COMPETITION RULES

1. The purpose of the International Violin Bridge Competition is to aesthetically compare and celebrate the standards of violin family bridges cut by contemporary violin makers and restorers worldwide and to highlight and award its best entries.

The 2022 competition will take place online via the website violinbridges.co.uk and archive.violinbridges.co.uk and will be divided into the following categories:

- a) Violin
- b) Viola
- c) Violoncello
- d) Other- (Miscellaneous)
- A Discretionary award sponsored by Dictum will be given for innovation to design.

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

The application:

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

2) must be submitted via mail to IVBC22, Violinbridges, Ivy cottage, Swan lane, Llangattwg, Powys, Wales, NP8 1PE, U.K +0044 7989405703

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

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

b) 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.

c) A brief curriculum vitae and a photograph in colour of the contestant

d) By Signing this application form applicant authorises the Organisation to:

– reproduce and publish the photographs of the applicant and the entered bridge/s;

The admission fees will not be reimbursed if the applicant decides not to participate in the Competition.

Incomplete applications will be considered, best efforts will be made to try and contact the applicant to complete missing information.

Applications should be Paid Online via the website violinbridges.co.uk

3. Each contestant may submit no more than three bridges per category and no more than twelve 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 21/12/22

4. 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.

6. 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.

7. All decisions of the jury are final.

8. 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 stamp)

9. The Competition offers these awards: Gold, Silver and discretionary merit.

– for the best violin bridge: gold, silver.

– for the best viola bridge: gold, silver.

– for the best cello bridge: gold, silver.

– for the best other bridge : gold, silver.

All contestants admitted to the competition will receive a certificate of participation and will be added to archive.violinbridges.co.uk permanent archive. They can be returned by special arrangement which will incur further postage and processing costs. A selection of Bridges will be added to Violin Bridges II Book published by Black Mountains Press 2022. Which will be available to buy on the violinbridges.co.uk website.

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

11. The awards will be announced on the date advertised and the results will be posted on violinbridges.co.uk

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

13. Twelve Bridges will be chosen to be added to the published celebratory calender will be available.

APPLICATION FORM

Surname

First name

Address

City

State/Province

Postal Code

Tel /Home

Work

E-mail

Additional info

Bridge stamp details:

Website address:

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.

I wish one or more of my Bridges to be considered for the Dictum innovative design award.

Violin (s)

Viola (s)

Cello (s)

Other

Total enrollment fee, £50 per

Registration invoice number.

Application Fee Link : <https://violinbridges.co.uk/product/registration/>

Brief Biography:

By signing this application 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)

Optional- Please attach a photo of yourself

Other

N.B Bridges, can be returned by special arrangement, and an additional postage and handling fee. Competition Address, Violin Bridges, CO, KilBride Violins, Llangattock, Powys, NP8 1PE, Wales, United Kingdom.

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