

2020 Tainan International Band Competition

Purpose:

Prologue: As the 21st Conference of Asia-Pacific Band Directors' Association is hosted in Tainan in year 2020, in order to enhance the experience for observation as well as appreciation for wind bands' performance and literature from all countries, Tainan International Band Competition is hereby originated. We hope that through the processes of public demonstration during this competition, all participating wind music enthusiasts from all countries can come together to show their superb performance ability and musical style on the stage. At the same time, all participants can also observe the performance of wind bands from all over the world, to learn the development trends and changes of the contemporary concert band worldwide, to absorb more concepts and to trigger broader directions for future self-development. It is hoped that all participating groups will experience a different sensation other than competitions in their own countries, since the goal of this event is to increase the coherence of Asia wind band society with friendship and let every participant bring it home. So please come to Tainan to Join us, share your best music expression with us!

Host: Tainan City Government

Co-Host: Taiwan Band Association/ Tainan Symphonic Band

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Any question about the event, please contact Taiwan Band Association and Tainan Symphonic Band with the above email.

Date of competition: Youth division: 20 of July, 2020

Cadet division: 21 of July, 2020

Open division: 22 of July, 2020

Competition location: Taikang Cultural Center

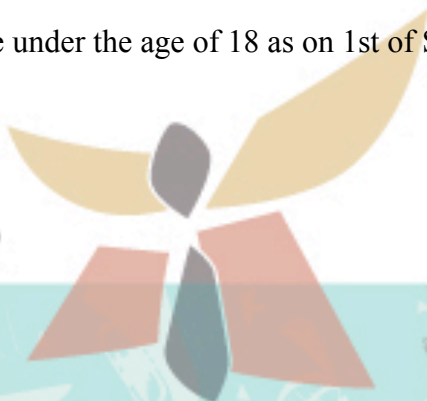
No.205, Sec. 1, Anji Rd., Annan Dist., Tainan City 70953, Taiwan (R.O.C.)

Eligibility for Divisions:

There will be three divisions, participant group can choose the suitable divisions to join as the qualification meets

1. Youth division: all members should be under the age of 13 as on 1st of September, 2020 (born after/on 1st of September, 2007).
2. Cadet division: all members should be under the age of 18 as on 1st of September, 2020 (born after/on 1st of September, 2002)
3. Open division: Open to all bands

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Age Verification (for Youth and Cadet division only) will be conducted with Official I.D.
Conductors are excluded with age limit.

Number of band members should not exceed 80 excluding conductor. No minimum requirement

Competition requirement for pieces and performance time:

Each participant band must play one designated piece and one free-choice piece. The designated piece of each division will be provided by the Cultural Affairs Bureau of Tainan City Government, with newly commissioned band arrangement of a Taiwanese folk song, *Memories of An-Ping*. Each division has different arrangement and will be sent to the participants which completed the registration in the first week of April, 2020. All the arrangements are free of charge as a gift from our host, Tainan City Government.

Each band will be given 20 minutes to complete the performance, which including entrance, tuning, designated piece (approximately 3 and a half minutes) and free-choice piece, and exit with all personnel and equipments. Counting starts after roll call.

Other details such as check-in time, stage size, warm-up and tuning time and location of the preparation area will be sent to the registered participants separately.

Jury and Awards:

This competition will be graded by a jury formed by selected members of the Asia and Pacific Band Director's Association. The jury will be composed of seven judges from different countries. The judging panel will grant the following awards to participants based on the performance level among all bands in the division:

1. Crown Award (omissible)
2. Culmination Award
3. Distinguish Award
4. Elite Award

Judges from various countries will give written comments and suggestions to the participating bands in English.

The results will be announced by the jury at the end of the competition of each division.

All awards will be granted at the opening ceremony of the Conference of Asia-Pacific Band Director Association.

In addition, several special prizes will be granted to the groups with extraordinary performance. Provided by our host, co-host and sponsors.

Details of all awards will be announced before the competition.

Registration

Please complete the registration form and send it to your regional APBDA members. If you have trouble finding APBDA members or other question, please contact with Taiwan Band Association and we will help you.

Registration fee: No registration fee required

Registration Deadline:

The deadline is March 31, 2020, and details of the competition will be sent in the April.

Registration form (see attachment)

