



50th Limerick International Band Championship
Sunday March 14th 2021

The 50th Limerick International Band Championship will commence at 12 noon on Sunday March 14th 2021 from Pery Square, in the heart of Georgian Limerick.

Bands must assemble at Pery Square by 10.30am. Coaches must drop at Pery Square (to the side of the People's Park), then continue down to Merchant's Quay where they may park for the duration of the parade.

The parade route is from Pery Square, through O'Connell Street, passing the reviewing stands near the end of the route and finishing at Arthur's Quay Park. This is where Award Presentation will be held. Prizes will be presented by the Mayor of Limerick.

Each band is requested to have a banner with their name on it placed to the front of the band as they march. A sign with each band name and a person to carry the sign will be provided by Limerick City and County Council.

All bands are asked to comply with the parade co-ordinators requirements. The band must only proceed towards the judging area (at the end of the parade route) when indicated by the co-ordinator.

Each band will be allowed 3 minutes performance time in front of the review stand for the purpose of adjudication. Immediately after the review stand, the parade route turns left into Arthur's Quay Park where there is a large performance space. Bands are requested to assemble here until the conclusion of the parade and the presentation of prizes by the Mayor.

While waiting announcement of results at the Jamboree in Arthurs Quay park, bands are encouraged to perform for each other and the public.

Bands must submit biographical information with their application forms, this can be used by the MC of the parade and marketing purposes.

Jamboree

A Jamboree will commence once first Band enters Arthurs Quay Park after marching down through O Connell Street and past the Review Stand. All Bands will get time to play various tunes. This is a great opportunity for the public to hear more of the wonderful Bands that have

entered our competition and for the other Bands to hear each other. This will continue until such time all Judges have their marking schemes complete. The atmosphere of all bands in one park is absolutely amazing.

Marking Scheme:

Each judge can award a maximum of 100 marks per band. There are two categories as set out below:

Music - 60 Marks This covers all aspects of a bands musical performance (Tone, quality, balance, intonation, and blend)

General Effect - 20 Marks This involves display, band fronts, drum majors, flag squads, etc.

Marching: 20 Marks – Display of marching as a group

Total = 100 Marks

Ratings:

- Superior (A or I) 85 points or over
- Excellent (B or II) 74-84 points
- Good (C or III) 63-73 points
- Fair (D or IV) 50-62 points

Category Awards:

1. Overall Parade Champion – excluding University Bands
2. Best overall University Band
3. Best International Band:
4. Best Youth Band:
5. Best Local Band:
6. Best Uniform:
7. Best Musical Performance:
8. Best Pipe Band
9. Most Entertaining Performance:
10. Special Judges Award

Awards Presentation

Awards will be presented directly after the parade in Arthur's Quay Park after the Jamboree. Bands must nominate their representative to accept the award.

Each representative will be positioned at the presentation platform. Please advise all representatives that photographs will be taken of the prize giving.