



**LATVIJAS
RADIO
BIGBENDS**

**Big Band Composition Contest for the Young Composers
in the Baltic Countries
2021
*Rules and Regulations***

Organized by: Jāzeps Vītols Latvian Academy of Music (JVLMA) in collaboration with Latvian Radio big band (LRBB).

Aim:

To create **an extended composition for the big band with vocals (BARITONE)**, timing – up to 7 minutes.

Jury: Rolands Kronlaks (LV), Jievaras Jasinskis (LT), Raul Sööt (EST)

Prizes: 1st prize – € 700, 2nd prize – € 500, 3rd prize – € 300.

Participation conditions:

- The contest is open to young composers aged between 18 and 30 (not older than 30 on August 1, 2021) who are permanently studying or residing in the Baltic States, including senior grade students of music secondary schools and colleges, university students and young professionals.
- The contestant can apply to this contest with **one** composition of his / her own;
- The sheet music of the submitted composition cannot be published by any music publishing company;
- The composition has to be an original work by the contestant. Arrangements are not accepted;
- The submitted composition must be complete and finished. No amendments are accepted after the submitting.
- The score must include all the necessary notes regarding the performance of the composition (dynamics, articulation, tempo etc.). The composition is performed according to the notes of the author.
- The presence of the contestant in the semi-finals and the finals of the contest is not mandatory, but is possible and preferable. The contest organizers do not cover expenses related to the preparation of the application, travel, accommodation or any other expenses.

Deadlines and rounds of the contest:

- **Application deadline is September 1, 2021 at 23:59.**
- The jury of the contest makes a preselection of the sent composition scores and announces results on September 15, 2021.
- The semi-final with the jury takes place on October 29, 2021. The selected compositions will be performed by the united JVLMA and RDKS

big band and vocalist Daumants Kanins (baritone), conducted by Dāvis Jurka.

- After the concert, the jury announces three contest finalists (results will be available on the website www.jvlma.lv on October 30, 2021.)
- The contest final takes place on November 25, 2021 (the venue TBA). The LRBB (artistic director Kārlis Vanags) and jazz vocalist Daumants Kalnins perform the compositions by the finalists.

How to apply

- Fill in the [application form](#)
- Send to jazz-competition@jvlma.lv or via *WeTransfer* file exchange service to jazz-competition@jvlma.lv :
 - ✓ the scores and parts of the composition in the .pdf format,
 - ✓ demo file of the composition (MIDI or MP3)
 - ✓ a copy of your passport or ID card (1MB)
 - ✓ a photo of your for publicity (1-2 MB)

Instrumentation:

1. VOC (BARITONE)

1. A SAX/S SAX/FL

2. A SAX/S SAX/FL

3. T SAX

4. T SAX

5. B SAX

1. TPT

2. TPT

3. TPT/FGH

4. TPT /FGH

1. TB

2. TB

3. TB

4. B TB/Tuba

1. PNO

2. GUIT

3. BASS (A/E)

4. DRUMS

Evaluation criteria:

1. Overall artistic quality of the composition
2. Stylistics
3. Composition notation outline

4. Instrumentation

Copyrights:

- ✓ The contest organisers hold the rights to record or allow recording of the rounds of the contest, at the same time keeping the phonogram production rights, as well as the rights to allow to publish the phonogram on the radio, internet, and store it in the archive (with public access) without any time limit.
- ✓ The course of the contest will be recorded on video and audio, and photographed. The pictures and the video will be published on the JVLMA website www.jvlma.lv, as well as in the social and mass media. The contestant consents with it.
- ✓ After the finals of the contest the compositions submitted to the contest will be stored and archived in the sheet music department of the JVLMA library and will be available to the public.

Data processing:

- ✓ Data processing for the participants' selection for the contest will be conducted by the Jāzeps Vītols Latvian Academy of Music (legal address K.Barona iela 1, Riga, LV-1050). It is possible to get in touch with the Academy by writing an email to dati@jvlma.lv.
- ✓ By applying, the contestant confirms that he / she has got acquainted with the contest rules and regulations. The contestant agrees that his personal data will be processed to evaluate the application. The data including the name and surname of the participant, educational institution he represents, his age and photo can be used to inform the society of the contest course and results.

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