

# 2019 Billtown Blues Festival Audition Application

Only **WORKING Blues Bands -or- Solo/Duo Artists** based in **Pennsylvania** will be considered.

If selected, all performing members of your band as described below, must be present at the **Audition Concert** on **Saturday, March 23, 2019**. If you win the audition, all performing members of your act as described below must be present to perform at the **30th Annual Billtown Blues Festival, weekend of June 15, 2019**. You cannot compete as a solo/duo artist and also compete with a band. The completion and submission of the application does not guarantee acceptance. The audition winners in each category will be eligible to submit for acceptance in the International Blues Competition (IBC) in Memphis for 2020. The winners will also have a guarantee performance "opportunity" at the 2020 Destination Blues (Feb) and the Exchange Listening Room (2019). (For more details on the IBC and eligibility criteria, visit [www.blues.org/ibc](http://www.blues.org/ibc) or [www.billtownblues.org](http://www.billtownblues.org))

**As our Association does not charge an entrance fee, ALL participating applicants must be a member of the Billtown Blues Association. Example: 5 band members = 5 memberships, same for Solo/Duo**

## **The Following Items MUST Be Included With Your Application OR IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR ACCEPTANCE:**

1. A 300 dpi **COLOR** photo original for publicity purposes  
(Absolutely **NO** ink jet or laser prints, or newspaper photos please.)
2. A biography on the members of your band, to be used for publicity purposes.
3. A demo tape or CD with three of your songs. (If there are more than three songs included on the demo, please indicate which three you want to be considered.)
4. BBA membership for all participating applicants.

**NOTE:** You may E-mail items 1. and 2. above **or** include them on a CD. If you choose to do so, the **COLOR** photo size is 4" x 6", 300 dpi resolution in .jpg or .pdf format. The bio must be a Microsoft Word document (.doc) **or** the text embedded in the body of the E-mail. If using E-mail please send to address below and in the subject line enter: "**BBA Audition Application**" or it will not be accepted.

## **Applications must be postmarked on or before January 1, 2019**

Mail this completed application (no hand deliveries please) **and** the four required items above to:

**BBA Audition Application  
c/o Tom and Lori Butler  
557 Main Street  
So. Williamsport, PA 17702**

**QUESTIONS: Call (570) 322-6237 or E-mail us at [hoboblues@comcast.net](mailto:hoboblues@comcast.net)**

Name of Band: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: (day) \_\_\_\_\_ (evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ (Emergency) cell phone # \_\_\_\_\_

What city is your band based in: \_\_\_\_\_ Band's Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of band members and instrumentation: \_\_\_\_\_

What style of blues do you perform? Electric \_\_\_ Acoustic \_\_\_ R & B \_\_\_ Other \_\_\_\_\_

List three (3) venues/festivals in which you have performed in the past year:

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_