



OXFORD BRASS FESTIVAL – SUNDAY 26th April 2026

Organised by the Oxfordshire & District Brass Band Association (ODBBA)
At
West Kidlington Primary & Nursery School, Oxford Road, Kidlington OX5 1EA

COMPETITION RULES

1. The adjudicator's decision is final.
2. The closing date for entries is Saturday 21st March 2026. Late entries will only be accepted if a class is not full.
3. In classes where an age limit applies, ages are determined as of 26th April 2026. The competitor's age must be recorded on the entry form. Evidence of Date of Birth may be requested in the case of a dispute. Please can you also let us know the DOB of your youngest competitor.
4. Youth competitors may enter Open Classes if they wish to do so.
5. It is the players responsibility to be available to play at the required time. Occasionally clashes may arise, in which case a band rep must inform the contest room steward as soon as they are aware of the problem. Ensembles take priority over quintets and quartets, which in turn take priority over duets and solos.
6. All competitors must provide an unmarked, legible copy of their piece to the contest room steward prior to the start of the class entered. Please note that in accordance with copyright laws photocopies submitted to the adjudicators will be retained and destroyed.
7. Competitors can only perform once in any Class. However, upon unforeseen circumstances, e.g., a group player ill on the day, a band rep must inform the contest steward ASAP and exceptions will be considered.
8. We encourage Competitors to use their own accompanist, however those who wish to use the official accompanist must indicate this on the entry form and add the appropriate amount to the cost of each entry. Copies of selected pieces must be included with the completed entry form. Please indicate on the music the approximate tempo and any cuts that are being made.
9. Conductors may be used for Quartets, Quintets and Ensembles but not for Solos/Duets.
10. You can use recorded accompaniment, but you must provide your own playing machine.
11. All trophies are to be returned by Contest Day, duly engraved. An adult will be required to sign for any trophies awarded during the day.
12. Performances in Sections K and R are limited to 10 minutes in total.

ENTRY FEES:

Sections A, B, C, D, P and L = £3.50.
Sections E, M, N, and S = £4.00
Sections F, G and H = £5.00

ACCOMPANISTS FEES:

Sections A, B, and F = £2.00
Sections C, D, G, H and P = £2.50
Sections E, L, M, N, O and S = £3.50

Section O = £6.00

Sections I, J, T, Q and U = £9.00

Sections R and K = £16.00

Please email your completed entry form to aldbrickham@googlemail.com and you will receive confirmation from me within 48 hours. Payment will now only be by BACs transfer to:

Account Name: ODBBA

Sort Code: 77-23-09

Account number: 84649063

You must still post any piano parts for the official accompanist by Saturday 21st March 2026 to:

David Roberts, Flat 1, Sherwood House, Rembrandt Way, Reading, Berkshire, RG1 6QY

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OPEN CLASSES (open to all ages)

- Section S: OPEN SOLO CHAMPIONSHIP – ANY MUSIC (including Air Varies)
- Section R: OPEN ENSEMBLE (6-12 players) – ANY MUSIC (less than 10 mins duration)

SENIOR SECTIONS

- Section L: ADULT IMPROVERS (up to 5 years playing)
- Section M: SENIOR SLOW MELODY
- Section N: SENIOR SOLO CHAMPIONSHIP (Age 19+) – ANY MUSIC (including Air Varies)
- Section O: SENIOR DUETS – ANY MUSIC – (at least one player to be 19+)
- Section Q: SENIOR QUARTETS – ANY MUSIC – (at least one player to be 19+)
- Section U: SENIOR QUINTETS – ANY MUSIC – (at least one player to be 19+)

JUNIOR SECTIONS

- Section A: Under 9 SLOW MELODY
- Section B: 9-11 SLOW MELODY
- Section C: 12-14 SLOW MELODY
- Section D: 15-18 SLOW MELODY
- Section E: JUNIOR SOLO CHAMPIONSHIP (Under 19) – ANY MUSIC (including Air Varies)
- Section F: Both Under 11 DUET
- Section G: Under 15 (At least one player to be 11-14) DUET.
- Section H: Under 19 (At least one player to be 15-18) DUET.
- Section I: Under 14 (Three verses of any hymn tune) QUARTET.
- Section J: Under 19 (Any music) QUARTET.
- Section T: Under 19 (Any music) QUINTET.
- Section K: JUNIOR ENSEMBLE (6 -12 players all under 19) – ANY MUSIC (less than 10 mins duration)
- Section P: PERCUSSION – Under 19 – ANY ROUTINE OR PROGRAMME

In addition the following JUNIOR SPECIAL AWARDS will be presented:

- THE YOUNGEST COMPETITOR
- THE BEST CORNET PLAYER IN SECTION B
- THE BEST BOY UNDER 15
- THE BEST U14 in SECTION E
- THE BEST GIRL UNDER 15
- THE BAND or GROUP WITH THE MOST PLAYING ENTRIES.

Band Name	
Contact Name	
Address	
Telephone	
Email Address	

SECTION	Cost per Entry	Accompanist	Number	Total Cost
A: UNDER 9 SLOW MELODY	£3.50	£2.00		
B: 9-11 SLOW MELODY	£3.50	£2.00		
C: 12-14 SLOW MELODY	£3.50	£2.50		
D: 15-18 SLOW MELODY	£3.50	£2.50		
E: UNDER 19 SOLO CHAMPIONSHIP	£4.00	£3.50		
F: UNDER 11 DUET	£5.00	£2.00		
G: UNDER 15 DUET (at least one to be 11-14)	£5.00	£2.50		
H: UNDER 19 DUET (at least one to be 15-18)	£5.00	£2.50		
I: UNDER 14 QUARTET (hymn tune)	£9.00	xxxxxxxxxxx		
J: UNDER 19 QUARTET	£9.00	xxxxxxxxxxx		
K: UNDER 19 ENSEMBLE	£16.00	xxxxxxxxxxx		
L: ADULT IMPROVERS (<5 YEARS EXPERIENCE)	£3.50	£3.50		
M: 19+ SLOW MELODY	£4.00	£3.50		
N: 19+ SOLO CHAMPIONSHIP	£4.00	£3.50		
O: SENIOR DUET (at least one to be 19+)	£6.00	£3.50		
P: UNDER 19 PERCUSSION	£3.50	£2.50		
Q: SENIOR QUARTET (at least one to be 19+)	£9.00	xxxxxxxxxxx		
R: OPEN ENSEMBLE (5-12 PLAYERS)	£16.00	xxxxxxxxxxx		
S: OPEN SOLO CHAMPIONSHIP	£4.00	£3.50		
T: UNDER 19 QUINTET	£9.00	xxxxxxxxxxx		
U: SENIOR QUINTET	£9.00	xxxxxxxxxxx		
	TOTAL COST:			

ENTRY LISTING:

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