



Panoply Musician Guidelines 2023

Thank you for your interest in performing at the 2023 Panoply Arts Festival! Here's what you need to know about our deadlines, stages, and other details.

General Festival and Selection Process Info

The festival will be held April 29th – May 1st in Big Spring International Park in downtown Huntsville, Alabama. The hours of the festival are:

Public Hours are:

- Friday, April 28 from 5:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Saturday, April 29 from 10:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m.
- Sunday, April 30 from 11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.

Panoply Performer Timeline

- December 16, 2022 – Application Deadline. (**Late submissions will not be considered**)
- February, 2023 – Offers emailed in late February (includes Stage Diagram Form)
- March 9, 2023 – Stage Diagrams Due

Selection Process

Performers will be selected for the festival by our Stage Management committee. This committee consists of staff and volunteers experienced in the music business. Entries will be evaluated on:

Artistic quality of work

Technical suitability for an outdoor stage

Content suitability for a wide variety of audience including families

Performer's ability to attract and hold an audience

Compliance with Call for Entry guidelines

Staging Information

- There are three stages at the festival. All stages are equipped with sound and light systems and operators.

The Showcase Stage

- **Feature ONLY bands with 3 or more members**

The Indie Stage

- **Solo or Duo performers – NO BANDS**

Art OutLoud Stage

- **Spoken Word, Poetry, Literary Readings, Comedians**

Payment

Panoply pays all musicians at the time of performance.

All entries must comply with the following

- Submission of entry **is not a guarantee of an offer** to perform at Panoply.
- Each musician must be age 16 or older. This is not an average age.
- Content of performance must be acceptable for general audiences; no preaching or dissemination of political or religious views is allowed.
- The entry form must be completed in full and submitted by the deadline.
- The performers/groups **MUST** be cooperative in working with Festival management and volunteers.
- Photographers will be in the park taking pictures throughout Panoply. Submission of an Entry Form shall constitute permission for Panoply to use photographs of the festival performers in Arts Huntsville publications and for other publicity purposes.
- Festival performance is expected to be similar to submitted entry.
- Variety of entire weekend's programming will be a consideration by Festival management in the final selection.
- Any material submitted for judging must not be more than 2 years old.
- Due to the volume of entries, the selection panel will only be able to review the first five minutes of a performance, so make sure your best performance is at the beginning of your submission.

Criteria for Music

- Taped music is not allowed.
- All performers must submit a link to a video of a **RECENT** performance or rehearsal of work of comparable quality and type to that which will be performed at the festival if selected. **You increase your chance of being programmed by submitting video of live performance.**
- **MUSIC MUST BE FAMILY-FRIENDLY** and Panoply retains the right to stop the performance if the presentation is deemed unsuitable for family viewing.