



ISB Double Bass Competition

Monday, June 7-8, 2021

University of Nebraska – Lincoln

Lincoln, Nebraska, USA

2021 Age 15-18 Jazz Division – Adam Booker & Miles Brown, Co-Chairs

PRIZES:

- First Prize \$1,000
- Second place \$500
- Third place \$250

ELIGIBILITY:

1. **Must** be older than 14 and younger than 19 on the day the competition begins.
2. The primary objective of the competition is for the performer to demonstrate musicianship through their artistry as an accompanist and soloist.
3. **Must** be an ISB member at the time of online application. Entry fee is \$60. If you're not a current member you can join or renew at <http://www.isbworldoffice.com/join.asp>. If you are not able to join online with a credit card, please contact office@isbworldoffice.com for instructions.
4. All applicants will be invited to participate in the ISB Young Bassists Program at the reduced rate of \$75. This will include participation in the all-new Young Jazz Bassists Program.
5. Must submit a resume with the online application that includes a chronological list of all private teachers, education, major appearances, honors and awards, and current professional or student status.
6. Must submit a set list with the online application. Send 2 copies of lead sheets for their tune selections, either uploaded with their online application or immediately after notification that they have been named a semi-finalist.

DEADLINE:

By January 11, 2021, applicants for the Jazz Division will submit a PRELIMINARY ROUND high-quality digital recordings (audio only, MP3 files preferred, either "live" or "studio," a separate file for each piece, identified by the name of the piece and not including the competitor's name) of the required repertoire as part of the online Accepted application. Each track must be recorded in a single take, with no edits or digital processing.

REPERTOIRE:

PRELIMINARY Round

Submit a recording of the required piece and one tune from each of the repertoire categories. Combined total time for all selections is limited to a maximum of twenty-five minutes.

Accompaniment is at the discretion of the applicant, and may include virtual accompaniment such as Band in a Box or IReal Pro. Demonstration of arco playing is encouraged but not required. Submissions will be assessed for musicality, virtuosity, sensitivity, and creativity.

1. Required Piece: "Little Waltz" by Ron Carter
2. Medium tempo American Popular Song Standard or Blues
3. Up-tempo Jazz Standard or BeBop
4. Straight-eighths, Brazilian, Afro-Cuban, or Afro-Caribbean Standard

Applicants advancing to the in-person Final Round will be notified **by Monday, February 22, 2021**. Semi-Finalists will be offered a discounted registration rate to attend the 2021 ISB convention at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln. Finalists must provide a digital copy of all lead sheets for their five selections, either with their application or immediately after notification that they have been named a semi-finalist.

Final Round

- All Final competitors will be provided with a professional pianist and drummer and will have a 45-minute rehearsal before their semi-final round.
- Applicants should plan to arrive in Lincoln, Nebraska by **June 6, 2021** or earlier for rehearsal.
- Finalists should prepare four selections, one each from the categories above, for the 30-minute Final Round.
- The jury reserves the right to stop performers, without penalty, in order to hear all required categories.
- The competition will take place on Monday, 7 June 2021 on the campus of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln with an announcement of winners that evening.
- Repartee within the trio, quality of the program, and stage decorum will be assessed.
- Formal attire is not required. Candidates should dress neatly (appropriate for a masterclass setting) but comfortably.

PERFORMANCE ORDER:

The performance order for all contestants performing at the convention will be determined randomly. **Contestants will be notified of their performance time by May 7, 2021.**

APPLY HERE: www.getacceptd.com/isb

1. In the top left-hand side of the page, choose "ISB Double Bass Performance Competition" from the dropdown menu.
2. Then choose your competition division from the "Select Program" dropdown menu.