



NEW ORLEANS JAZZ & HERITAGE FESTIVAL AND FOUNDATION, INC.

CLASS GOT BRASS? A SCHOOL BRASS BAND COMPETITION

Song List for Required Repertoire*

Each contestant must open their performance with a traditional dirge. They also must perform an up-tempo song from the traditional brass band repertoire as well as one contemporary song.

Competing bands are limited to 12 members – only one bass drum, one snare drum and one tuba. All other instruments must be part of the recognized brass band tradition. Schools are encouraged to augment their bands with “steppers,” or dancers.

Finalists must perform at least three songs from the following list:

Traditional Brass Band Songs:

- Just A Closer Walk With Thee
- When the Saints Go Marching In
- Joe Avery’s Blues
- Didn’t He Ramble
- Lord, Lord, Lord
- I’ll Fly Away
- Just Over In the Glory Land
- Paul Barbarin’s Second-Line
- Old Rugged Cross
- Careless Love
- We Will Understand It Better By And By
- Li’l Liza Jane
- Paul Barbarin’s Bourbon Street Parade

Contemporary Brass Band Songs:

- Feets Don’t Fail Me Now
- It Ain’t My Fault
- Feel Like Funkin’ It Up
- Whoopin’ Blues
- Do Whatcha Wanna
- Tornado Special
- Mr. Big Stuff
- Take It to the Streets
- Roll With It
- Freedom
- Let Your Mind Be Free
- Casanova

* Don’t see a traditional or contemporary song on this list that you would like to perform? Request to add it to the approved song list by contacting the New Orleans Jazz & Heritage Foundation, by calling (504) 558-6108, or by sending an e-mail to: programs@jazzandheritage.org.