

Application To Play at La Roche Bluegrass Festival 2022

Reminder: we are booking more headline acts this year, leaving fewer slots for open mic band applications. See the headline acts booked at www.larochebluegrass.org

There are still four possibilities to play:

1. The main stage — a few slots available for standard Bluegrass line ups
2. The town hall stage — reserved for duets and trios
3. The lunchtime stage — reserved for young and emerging talent
4. The street festival — for all bands if playing in the festival or not

Bands playing will receive:

1. Contribution to travel costs of €0.50 per kilometer, for **one car**, calculated for two ways from the band leader's home to La Roche-sur-Foron.*
2. Vouchers for food and drinks served on the festival site for every day musicians of the band are present.*
3. Accommodation with breakfast provided in the school dormitories for up to 4 nights.
4. Possibility to invite one guest (spouse or partner) for each musician in the band.

*Travel and meal tickets are not provided for Street Festival acts who get accommodation, VIP access and a meal at the bar where they play.

Here is an overview of the open mic playing options and conditions

| Playing Venue | Playing Time | Line Check | Travel Allowance | Meal tickets | VIP tent access | School Sleeping |
|---------------------------|--------------|------------|------------------|--------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Main stage | 45 mins | 15 mins | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Town Hall stage | 45 mins | 15 mins | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Lunchtime stage | 45 mins | 15 mins | Yes | Yes | Yes | Yes |
| Street Festival Wed & Fri | 60 mins | unplugged | No | No | Yes | Yes |

How to apply

1. Fill out the form on the next page stating which stage(s) you are applying for.
2. Select 3 or 4 good quality sound files (no Spotify link) of the band in its current form and, if you have it, a link to a good video recording of a live performance (Daily Motion, YouTube, etc.).
3. Add 1 or 2 hi-res photos of the band.
4. Return the completed application by email to festival.laroche@gmail.com before February 20.

About the stages

1. The Main Stage is the traditional big stage on the festival site. This stage is reserved for bands with a standard Bluegrass line up (all forms of music on the broad "Bluegrass" spectrum are accepted).
Thursday to Sunday, early evening until midnight.
2. The Town Hall Stage is a new stage on the main town square reserved for duets and trios.
Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 3 - 6 pm.
3. The Lunchtime Stage on the festival site hosts one US headline act and 4 young and emerging acts. One act will be invited back to headline on the main stage next year.
Saturday and Sunday from midday to 3 pm.
4. The Street Festival is a town centre event where bands play in front of bar and restaurant terraces.
Wednesday from 7 to 9 pm and Friday from midday to 2 pm

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2. With at least 2 artists under 25, OR 1 artist under 25 and the band formed in the last 2 years

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Deadline for applications February 20, 2022

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| Band name | | |
| Contact person | | |
| Email | | |
| Cell phone | | |
| Home address (<i>Street - City</i>) | | |
| (<i>Zip - Country</i>) | | |
| We would like to play on... (select one or more as appropriate) | | |
| The Main Stage | <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Open to all bands</i> |
| The Town Hall Stage | <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Reserved exclusively for duets and trios</i> |
| The Lunchtime Stage | <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Reserved for young and emerging bands. See below ...</i> |
| The Street Festival | <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>Only if selected for another stage (state Wednesday or Friday)</i> |
| The Street Festival | <input type="checkbox"/> | <i>We only want to play the street festival (state Wednesday or Friday)</i> |
| About the Band | | |
| Web site | | |
| YouTube | | |
| CDs & Albums since 2017 | | |
| Musicians & Instruments (and ages if applying for young and emerging talent show) | | |
| Band description for programme notes (please limit to max 10 lines) | | |

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