

Bands in the Sand 2011

Guidelines

21 – 23 November

NB This year's Bands in the Sand will take place at **Nottingham Arts Theatre**, not the Sandfield Theatre!
(For directions, visit <http://www.nottingham-theatre.co.uk>)

Please read these guidelines carefully (there are changes this year!) and make sure that **EVERYONE** in your band completes an entry form!

This event is only open to bands in which the **majority of members** attend a City of Nottingham state school/6th form **OR** Nottingham Music School.

There are 2 categories for different age groups: **11-15** and **15-19**. You will be put in the category that MOST of your band fit into. If you are all 15, or if you have an equal number of members in each age group, please tick the category you would rather perform in on your entry form.

The following band equipment will be provided: drum kit, mics, 2 guitar amps & 1 bass amp. Please only bring guitars, keyboards, effects units and any other instruments you need. Due to space and time restrictions, you will not be allowed to use your own drum kit or amplifiers (unless you have more than 2 guitarists).

Each band can perform **2 songs only**, and for a maximum of **10 minutes**.

Each evening's performance will start at **7.00pm**, at the Nottingham Arts Theatre, George Street, Hockley, Nottm. Tickets will be available on the door and in advance on-line at <http://www.nottingham-theatre.co.uk> or phone 9476096. (Performers will have **free entry** for all performances).

There will be 'heats' (**Monday 21st and Tuesday 22nd November**) and a final (**Wednesday 23rd Nov**) for this year's Bands in the Sand, so please make sure you are available to play in the final if you get through.

Due to limited time and availability, there will be **no separate soundchecks** at the venue this year. Bands will get a line check before they play.

There will be an independent panel of judges who will decide which band wins the overall prize. The judges' decision is final.

The prize for the 11-15 age group will be CD vouchers **and** a performance at a city event.

For the 15-19 age group, the prize will be studio time, **and** a performance at a city event.

If possible, College Street technical staff will record the sound for the event. However, due to copyright laws, copies will **only** be available for students that wish to use the recording towards a qualification such as GCSE/BTec Music. In this case, we can only accept requests directly from schools, so please ask your teacher to get in touch with us.

Last year's winners cannot enter the competition, but may be invited to perform at the event.

This event will be a 4-letter-word free zone. Please make sure none of your songs will cause offence.

Please note that the Nottingham Arts Theatre is no-smoking. Any participants in possession of tobacco, alcohol or drugs will be disqualified immediately. Any participants leaving without permission will also be disqualified.

All entrants must be 11-19 years old.

The deadline for entries is **Monday 7th November 2011**.

If you have any questions about this event, please contact Helen Maddison on 0115 9476202, ext 274, or email bandsinthesand@collegest.org.uk.

Please return this form by 7th November (PLEEEASE DON'T LEAVE IT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE!) to:

Helen Maddison, The Arts in Education Centre, College Street, Nottingham, NG1 5AQ

Email: bandsinthesand@collegest.org.uk

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At The Nottingham Arts Theatre, Hockley

Entry Form

21-23 November

your details:

name: _____ your band's name: _____

address: _____

email: _____

phone/mobile: _____

date of birth: _____ school: _____

do you attend Nottingham Music School? _____

are you taking GCSE Music / Expressive Arts, BTEC Music / Performing Arts or 'A' Level music? _____

your band details:

names of your band members:

(If you have an equal number of members in each age group or you are all 15, please tick which category you would prefer to perform in).

on the 21st November 2011 are most of you aged: 11-15 or 15-19

technical specifications – please list all instruments and number of vocals:

your emergency contact details:

parent/carer name(s): _____

evening contact number(s): _____

I give permission for my son/daughter to compete in the Bands in the Sand festival:

signature: _____

please list any medical details we need to know about: (including allergies and medication)

A photographer and video team will be at this event, please tick if you **DO NOT** wish to be photographed/videoed
Photos/video may be used for publicity purposes, including websites.