

Artists What You Should Expect During the 2022 Regional IBC

- Registered Acts should arrive at least **30 minutes or more** prior to your scheduled set time.
- Pre-Staging/ load-in is only done between acts (**not during a performance**) and through a designated side door, it will be clearly marked and staffed.
- We will provide a basic backline, guitar amp, bas rig, mic's, keyboard stand, drum kit, Monitors and PA system, if you have any questions or concerns let us know, "ahead of time".
- Drummers bring your usual, cymbals, sticks, throne, snare, ...
- Keyboard players bring your keyboard; (we will have a scissor stand to use).
- Harp Players and Guitarists you can bring a specific amp if needed, we will likely have a Fender or two on stage for you to use.
- All sets are 20 minutes in length, **"your performance must be completely live"**, **No background tracks, drum machine, etc.**
- Solo/ Duo act will have 5 minutes for change out, Bands will have 10 minutes for change out, we encourage everyone to work together.
- Artists and Band members will be given a wrist band when you arrive, which is good for the entire day.
- **Award's and Award Categories are covered in your Registration/ Agreement.** There will also be a **"People's Choice" award, we encourage you to ask your friends and fans to come and vote.** The **People's Choice award**, "only garners local bragging rights for the year", it does not get you registered for the Memphis IBC.
- You will be Judged by a panel of independent judges, according to Memphis IBC criteria/standards.
- **Winners** (depending on registration participation and category requirements) will be registered in the 2023 "International Blues Challenge" in Memphis, TN. **Dates (TBD).**
- **Send Us a Diagram of your stage plot**, this will help expedite the change out times.
- Even though most people are vaccinated, this will again be a mask optional event, if you prefer to wear a mask when you're not performing we understand and support your decision.

IBC Categories: Youth Showcase, Solo/Duo, and Band. **"Requires a minimum of two (2) entries in each category"**.

People's Choice Award is Specific to The SWFBS, and only garners local bragging rights for the next year.

More About the "Memphis IBC", <https://blues.org/international-blues-challenge/>