

2012 Billtown Blues Festival Audition Application

Only **WORKING Blues Bands -or- Solo/Duo Artists** based in **Pennsylvania** will be considered.

If selected, all performing members of your band as described below, must be present at the **Audition Concert on Sunday, March 25, 2012**. If you win the audition, all performing members of your act as described below must be present to perform at the **23rd Annual Billtown Blues Festival, Sunday, June 10, 2012**. You cannot compete as a solo/duo artist and also compete with a band. The completion and submission of this application does not guarantee acceptance. The winners in each category will be eligible to submit for acceptance in the International Blues Challenge Competition (IBC) in Memphis for 2013. (For more details on the IBC and eligibility criteria visit www.blues.org/ibc.)

As our Association does not charge an entrance fee, ALL performers in each act must be a member of the Billtown Blues Association. Example: 5 band members = 5 memberships, same for Solo/Duo.

The Following Items **MUST** Be Included With Your Application **OR IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED FOR ACCEPTANCE:**

1. A **COLOR** photo original for publicity purposes (NO ink jet, laser, or newspaper prints) (See NOTE below)
2. A short biography on the members of your band, to be used for publicity purposes. (See NOTE below)
3. A demo tape or CD. (If more than three songs on the demo, indicate which three you want to be considered.)
4. **BBA membership for each member of your band.**

(Membership application is on the back page of this newsletter and on the BBA website www.billtownblues.org.)

NOTE: You are encouraged to E-mail items 1 and 2 above **or** include them on a CD. Photo must be 300 dpi resolution in .jpg or .pdf format. The bio must be in MS Word .doc format **or** the text embedded in the body of the E-mail. If using E-mail please send to address below and **in the subject line enter: "BBA Audition Application"** or it will not be accepted.

Applications must be postmarked on or before January 1, 2012

Mail this completed application (no hand deliveries please) **and** the four required items above to:

**BBA Audition Application, c/o Tom and Lori Butler,
557 Main Street, So. Williamsport, PA 17702**

QUESTIONS: Call (570) 322-6237 or E-mail us at hoboblues@chilitech.net

Name of Band: _____

Contact Person: _____ Telephone: (day) _____ (evening) _____

Address: _____ E-mail address: _____

City: _____ State: ____ Zip: _____ (Emergency) cell phone # _____

What city is your band based in: _____ Band's Website: _____

Name(s) of band members and instrumentation: _____

What style of blues do you perform? Electric __ Acoustic __ R & B __ Other _____

List three (3) venues/festivals in which you have performed in the past year:

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____