

INFORMATION FOR THE PARADE OF BANDS – 2024

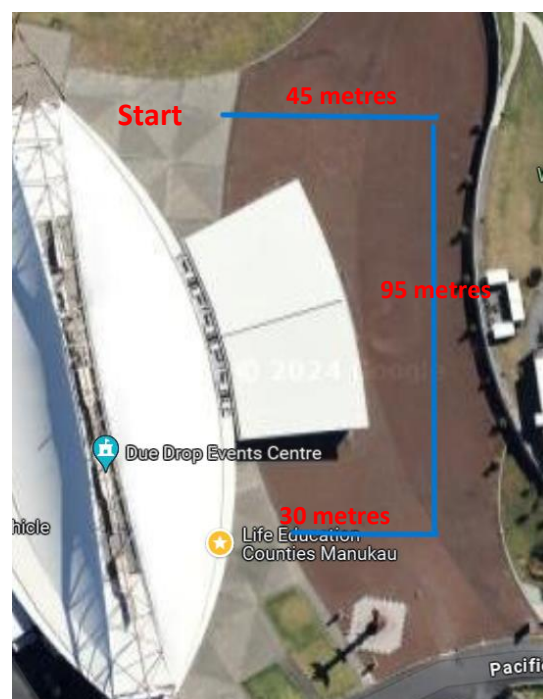
Street March competition, Pacific Festival of Brass, South Auckland



Start time: 2.30 pm Friday 12 July. **End time:** approx. 3.30 pm.

The Parade of Bands will be held open area between the Due Drop Events Centre and Vector Wero Whitewater Park. This is a flat, smooth surface with no speed bumps.

- The start point will be near the BNZ Theatre end of the Due Drop Events Centre.
- From there, bands will step off, and the first change of direction will be to the right and is approx. 45 metres from the start point.
- Bands will then march straight for approx. 95 metres.
- They will then have another change of direction to the right.
- From that change of direction to the halt is approx. 30 metres.
- The saluting dais will be on the right, approximately halfway along the 95 metre straight after the first change of direction.
- The marching area will be clearly marked and will be 10 metres wide.
- It is recommended that bands march a maximum of 5 files across.
- The entertainment judges will be in the area close to the saluting dais.
- Bands will step off at 2-minute intervals.



Order of March:

- Guest band (1)
- Youth Grade (1 band)
- C Grade (10 bands)
- A Grade (7 bands)
- B Grade (11 bands)

A detailed marching order of bands will be sent out with the draw two weeks before the contest.

The B Grade Sacred Item and Test event will take place before the Parade of Bands in the Due Drop Centre. The last band in this event is due to end at 2.10 pm. If they wish, the last two bands in the B Grade Test can use the band warm-up area in the Due Drop Events Centre to prepare for the Parade of Bands.

Drop off and pick up points.

Drop off and pick up points for buses and minivans is the car park area nearest to the Ramada Hotel. Entry off Great South Road. More information will be supplied later about a parking area for buses.

Band name signs

Bands are to have a person carry their band name sign. This person will march behind their band. The signs will be distributed to bands at the form-up area and collected at the end of the Street March.

Marching Regulations

A copy of the Marching Regulations can be found on the Association's website. <https://www.brassbanz.org/page/national-championships/>

Bands are reminded that they are to always march forward during the street march. Any evolutions at the change of direction should be done in a timely manner so that they do not impede the following band.

If you have any questions regarding the Parade of Bands, please contact Denis Spurdle at denis.spurdle@gmail.com or 022 024 0646

The Logistics/Major Majors meeting will be held at the Due Drop Events Centre at 5.30pm on Thursday 11 July. Each band must have a representative at this meeting.

Compere Notes

Having compere notes for the Street March is a new thing. Feedback from having them last year was very positive, and Tim Kelly will also use the notes to tell the at-home audience a bit about each band. So, show your band's personality and have a little fun with this. It is not a grant application. A template has been provided below.

We require this information by 30 June 2024. Please email to bbanzeo@gmail.com

Name of Band:

Drum Major:

Musical Director:

Title of the music being played on the March and any interesting comments on why you choose to play that Music:

Colour of your marching uniform:

A short statement, less than 45 seconds long, which captures the important essence of or fun facts about your band.