

2021 World Cup on the Accordion Polka Virtual Championship

Organized by the **Button Akordion Rocks Club**
Toronto, Canada

Submission Deadline: July 1st, 2021
Championship Event: August 1, 2021

Submission Guidelines

Individuals are invited to submit a video of their best performance, in full costume and stage makeup, no longer than 4 minutes. This video will not only be your submission to the judges but, if you are selected, it will be your performance in the public live stream concert. So make sure to take time to find a good location and to look your best.

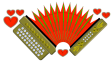
All submission materials (Video links, biography, accompanying documents) must be submitted to BARC.submissions@gmail.com no later than July 1 2021.

WHAT TO SUBMIT

Each participant must submit a completed registration form (available on www.ButtonAkordionRocks.ca), a photo, a biography (max 200 words) and a performance video (max 4 min) that includes a polka, waltz or medley.

Please find the video requirements below:

- Videos should MP4 format
- Videos should be recorded in 720p or 1080p resolution
- If shot on phone or tablet the video should be in landscape orientation
- You should use only 1 camera, and it must be stationary
- Each song must be filmed in one take and not edited in any way
- The sound of the accordion should be acoustic and not altered in any way (no special effects, looping, midi-programing, etc.)
- The MP4 File should be named as follows: YourName_SongTitle.mp4
- The image must be clear and in focus
(Helpful Hint: When filming yourself do not have a window or light source behind you. A light in front of you can help us to see your face and help with the focus)
- The audio must be clear and not distorted
(Helpful Hint: If the room has some carpet and curtains for sound dampening that could help eliminate any echo or unwanted sounds)
- Button Akordion Rocks Club has the right to request a new video for any reason



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HOW TO SUBMIT

The required files must be sent to BARC.submissions@gmail.com no later than July 1, 2021. The video files will be too large to send by email without compression. For this reason we ask that you submit using a shareable cloud link such as Dropbox or Google Drive. You can also submit using the free version of WeTransfer that can be found at this link <https://wetransfer.com/>

If you have any questions or need help with the submission process please do not hesitate to email us. We would be more than happy to walk you through the process and make sure that your submission is included.

DOUBLE CHECKING

Before you send the email make sure you have included the following

- Completed registration form
- Photo
- Biography (max 200 words)
- Performance video (polka & waltz)

If submission seems daunting don't worry! The BARC Committee will be available and to help you with any technical questions or challenges. Just send us an email and we will be glad to help.

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* Participants entering in the Canadian Band category are encouraged to reach out to the BARC committee in advance of recording to confirm submission and editing guidelines.