ATG
Accordionists & Teachers Guild, International

ANNOUNCEMENT
2027 ATG WORLD CUP
Lisle, Illinois, USA
July 14-18, 2027

ATG is pleased to announce a special competition offering a $6,000 first prize and $4,000 second prize, and $2,000 third prize for our 2027 Festival in Lisle, Illinois.
Details for entry and performance are below:

1. Entrants may be of any nationality.
2. Entrants 32 years of age and under may enter the competition. (Year of birth– born 1995 or later).
3. Copy of Passport must be attached to the Entry Form.
4. There is an Entry Fee of US $75.
5. A photo of the Entrant must be attached to the Entry Form.
6. All entries and fees must be received by ATG no later than May 1, 2027.
7. Anyone needing a Visa should contact ATG as early as possible but no later than February 1. Anyone needing a Visa is urged to apply as quickly as possible.
8. Any costs incurred by the entrant to obtain the Visa must be paid by the entrant.
9. Three (3) Awards: **First Place.....US $6,000.**
Second Place.... US $4,000.
Third Place…...US $2,000.
A minimum score of 23 is required to earn First Place.
10. The competition will be held in One Round. Entrants must draw for playing position on Thursday afternoon and may not change the position. If the entrant is not at the drawing, someone will draw for them.
11. In all public events (awards ceremony, competition, performance), entrants must present themselves as artists to an audience; presentation, dress and stagecraft all being important.
12. Entrants are to play an own choice program with a 25 minute maximum time

limit.

13. The own choice program must consist of a minimum of five (5) pieces
    a) The program must have pieces which demonstrate different styles and moods.
    b) The program must be primarily Classical with one piece that would be considered Entertainment.
    c) Movements from longer pieces (Suites, Sonatas, Theme & Variations) are acceptable.
    d) At least two (2) of the pieces must be originally composed for the accordion.
    e) The program must show proficiency in the use of both free bass and stradella bass. Some pieces might use all free bass while others might use all stradella or a combination of both.
    f) Expected level of repertoire should be a minimum of Grade 6 or 7, based on a Grade 10 maximum.
    g) Upon receipt of entry, Entrant will be notified immediately if the minimum repertoire level is not high enough to enter.
14. All pieces must be performed by memory.
15. One copy of each piece must be submitted with the Entry Form as a PDF. All music will be secure within the ATG contest committee and will not be distributed to anyone else.
16. There will be a panel of several adjudicators.
17. Scoring will be based on 25 points for the highest grade. One of the highest grades and one of the lowest grades will be omitted for the final number of points earned.
18. This is a competition for solo accordionists playing acoustic reed instruments only.
19. All entrants will receive a Diploma of Participation.
20. All winners must be present in person at the Award Ceremony.
21. The first, second, and third place winners will be expected to perform at the final Saturday night concert.
22. Previous 1st place winners are not eligible to enter the ATG World Cup Competition
23. Entrants must register for the ATG festival and are responsible for the cost of their registration, lodging, and meals.
24. Entrants to the ATG World Cup may not enter any other ATG competitions during the 2027 Festival.