

Shetland Folk Festival Society

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Dear All

39th Shetland Folk Festival

It's that time of the year again and we're busy making preparations for our 39th Shetland Folk Festival which will run from **Thursday 2nd May to Sunday 5th May 2019**.

If you wish yourself or your band to be considered for playing at this year's festival, please complete the enclosed form. Please make sure there is an e-mail address contact as this helps build a current Local Artist mailing list. All band members' names are required on application. If band members should change leading up to the Festival please **inform us as soon as possible**. Last minute changes will only be accepted under **exceptional** circumstances, as this can have a big impact on the programming which is very complex.

Please note the **date of birth** for any band member **under 18**. This is very important as we must issue the correct colour of wristband for the festival club.

Please also enclose an **up to date** bio, CD/recording of your work and any high-resolution photo's (a computer file format is the preferable method). PA specifications/stage plans are very important to us, we'd appreciate you submitting this as soon as possible so we don't have to chase this up before the festival. Please note generally we do not provide backline for local acts (for all venues, including Mareel).

If your proposed act is new to the Festival, we ask you to include a recent recording of your material, so the committee can gauge the acts suitability for the festival. Please note a spot is not guaranteed at the festival for any local act as we have many interested groups, but if your application is successful we will notify you in the New Year.

If one or more of your band members play in other acts please ask them to limit their proposed appearances. This is to help us with logistical issues we've had in recent years, which may still lead us to not being able to allocate a concert slot.

As in previous years, a free membership will be issued to all musicians within a band with 8 or less members. (**Note:** this will allow eligible bands to access advanced tickets using our online system. We will forward details of this in the early part of 2019.) Large groups will receive a donation.

Please send the requested information, labelled **Local Artistes** to the above address no later than **31st December 2018** or return via e-mail. This deadline is important for the dates for the line-up release to be done in a timely manner.

Thank you for your ongoing support of the Shetland Folk Festival. Without you, our Festival would not be possible.

Kind regards,

Diane Wood
Local Artistes
Shetland Folk Festival Society
Registered Scottish Charity (SC013445)

39TH SHETLAND FOLK FESTIVAL - LOCAL ARTISTES APPLICATION FORM
(PLEASE RETURN PRIOR TO 31 DECEMBER 2018 AT THE LATEST)

Group Name:

Contact Name:

Address:

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Telephone No:

Email:

Mobile:

1) Please list the names of your group members and indicate other bands they may be involved in. Bear in mind that it may be a problem for us logistically if you or any member of your group plays in several bands. **Please note date of birth for artists under 18.**

2) Preferred date/venue (Please note that it may not be possible to accommodate a specific request)

3) Please provide us with a brief bio of your band for inclusion in our website.

4) (a) Are you happy for Shetland Folk Festival Society to pass on your contact details to members of the public wishing to book your group or band? **YES/NO**

(b) Are you happy for Shetland Folk Festival Committee to keep a record of your band's details?
YES/NO

Thank you. Da Committee.