2022-2023 Blues After School Commitment Form

Thank you for your interest in West Baton Rouge Museum’s Blues After School program presented jointly with music educators from Rockin’ Mozart Academy with support from New Orleans Jazz and Heritage Foundation. This commitment form must be completed by a parent or guardian for any child who wishes to participate in the program.

OVERVIEW
Blues After School is a music education program that provides free instrument and Blues band instruction paired with cultural, historical, and arts related activities and lessons on industry best practices for middle and high school aged students. No prior music experience is necessary. Students choose a primary instrument to study and participate in one-hour group lessons on that instrument once per week followed by one hour of cultural, historical or arts enrichment, September 2022 to April 2023. We will meet on approximately four Fridays per month from 4 – 6 p.m. The program will provide loan instruments during class time to participating students who do not already have their own. Students who already own an instrument should bring the instrument to class.

INSTRUMENTAL INSTRUCTION OFFERED
Guitar, Bass, Drums, Keyboard, and Harmonica
Students with Brass or Woodwind are welcome to bring them to class. Vocals will also be a part of the program.

CLASS STRUCTURE
- Instrument and Blues band instruction will be from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.
- The enrichment hour will be from 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- There will be one 10-minute snack break between classes. Snacks will be provided. Please notify of any food allergies or dietary restrictions.

ARRIVAL AND DEPARTURE
West Baton Rouge Museum is located at 845 N. Jefferson Avenue in Port Allen. Students must have reliable transportation to and from the program. Classes begin promptly at 4 p.m., and students should be picked up promptly at 6 p.m. A signed letter must accompany students walking to and from the program. A signed letter must be sent to authorize pick up by anyone other than the person(s) identified on this form. Arrival and departure will take place in the back parking lot of the museum located off Sixth Street.

Parents/Guardians are welcome to stay while class is in session. Parents/Guardians are also allowed to wait in their vehicles for the duration of class or find a comfortable spot on our 6-acre campus to spend the 2 hours. Parents also enjoy visiting on the Juke Joint covered porch area during class where they can peer in.

CLASS DATES (Subject to Change)
September 9, 16, 23, 30
October 7, 14, 21, 28 (Tentative performance Sunday, October 2 at SugarFest)
November 4, 18 (No class Nov. 11 Veterans Day, Tentative performance Friday, November 18 after class)
December 2, 9, 16 (Tentative performance Sunday, Dec. 4 at Holiday Open House)
January 6, 13, 20, 27
February 3, 10, 17, 24
March 10, 17, 24, 31
April 21, 28 (Tentative performance Sunday, April 2 at Eggstravaganza)
Spring performance and field trip opportunities will be announced at a later date.
REQUIREMENTS

1. AGE
Blues After School is geared toward middle school and high school aged public, private, and home school students. Students are not required to have any previous instruction on their chosen instruments.

2. ACCESS TO INSTRUMENT
Students are not required to own an instrument though they are encouraged to bring their own to class if they have one. Otherwise, loan instruments will be available for use during class time.

3. PARTICIPATION
Students must attend the two-hour class on scheduled Fridays September - April and must inform the West Baton Rouge Museum in advance of any absences to remain in good standing with the program.

By completing this form, you are certifying that you understand the attendance requirements and the time commitment involved.

I have read and agree to the eligibility conditions described above.

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SIGNATURE                        DATE

Please PRINT the following information:

First and last name of Parent/Guardian: ________________________________________

- Parent/Guardian’s Cell Phone Number including area code: (    )______-__________
- Parent/Guardian Email Address: ________________________________________________
- Best Mailing Address:
  - Street Address Line 1: ______________________________________________________
  - Street Address Line 2: ______________________________________________________
  - City/State/Zip: _____________________________________________________________
- Emergency Contact:
  - Name: _____________________________________________
  - Relationship to Student: __________________________________________________
  - Phone Number: ___________________________________________________________

- List of Individual allowed to pick up the student from the program:
  - Name: _____________________________________________
  - Relationship to Student: __________________________________________________
  - Name: _____________________________________________
  - Relationship to Student: __________________________________________________
  - Name: _____________________________________________
  - Relationship to Student: __________________________________________________

Are there any food allergies, medical conditions, or medications the staff should be aware of?
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- First and last name of Student: _________________________________________________
- What school does the student attend?
- What grade is the student in this current 2022–2023 school year?
- Student’s current age: ________ Student’s Birthdate: __________
- Student’s T-Shirt Size: ____________________ (Specify Youth or Adult S, M, L, XL, XXL, XXXL)
- Student’s First Instrument Choice: ____________________ Second Choice: ____________________
- Does the student own an instrument that can be brought to class? __________
- Student’s musical background/experience: ____________________
- Other Notes: _________________________________________________________________

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