



British Association of Barbershop Singers

Guild of Judges

Guild Membership Application Form

Thank you for your interest in joining the Guild of Judges. This Application Form is the initial step and will be followed by questionnaires to determine the extent of your barbershop knowledge in the areas relevant to your chosen category.

Personal Details			
Name			
Street address			
Town/City			
County		Post Code	
Country			
Home Phone			
Work Phone			
Mobile			
FAX			
E-mail			

Barbershop Details		Tick the category for which you are applying.	
Years in barbershop		Music	
Club Name		Singing	
Position in club		Presentation	
Quartet name		Chairman of Judges	

For the following questions, please make your answers as full as possible. If there is not enough room on the form in the spaces provided, please attach additional sheets and indicate that on the form.

Describe any musical/theatrical background you may have. We'd like to know if you've had any formal musical education (including BABS Harmony College) and/or whether you have performed on stage in any branch of music or the performing arts.

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Describe any organised quartet experience you may have, whether in competition or not.

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Describe any choral directing experience you may have. We'd like to know whether you have directed a choir of any sort, whether barbershop or not.

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Describe any coaching experience you may have had working with quartets and/or choruses. Barbershop experience is important here but we'd also like to know if you have ever worked with any other kind of musical ensemble.

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If you have done any arranging at all, barbershop or not, give brief details. This is most important if your chosen category is Music but the other categories would like to know if you have any experience in the field.

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Describe any other experience or abilities that you think may be relevant to judging in general and/or to your chosen category. If, for instance, you are an educator of some sort (e.g. a teacher) or you do some other job where interpersonal skills are important, we'd like to know.

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Can you tell us why you want to become a judge?

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What, in your opinion, is likely to be your biggest challenge to becoming a judge. Make an honest self-assessment and bear in mind that judging is not just about putting a score down but it is also about improving the contestant's performance via feedback and evaluations.

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Are you willing to make yourself available to judge at least two contests each year, every year?

	YES / NO
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Return your completed form to the Guild PRO and Recruitment Manager:-

Neil Watkins
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Dorking, Surrey RH4 2PR

You can expect a response within two weeks.