

2026 Festhalle Performances and Schedule
Leavenworth International Accordion Celebration

Festhalle - Thursday – June 25

noon	Festhalle opens; vendor tables being readied in foyer
4:30pm	Auditorium closed for concert preparation-sound check
6:30pm	Auditorium open for seating
6:50pm	Welcome
7:00-7:50pm	International Cavalcade – Italian, Swiss, German, Scandinavian (with Bonnie Birch, Jakob Bean, Thomas Tilton, Toby Hanson)
7:50-8:10pm	break
8:10-9:00pm	Northwest Accordionaires (directed by Cooksie Kramer)

Festhalle - Friday – June 26

8:45 am	Festhalle opens
10:00-Noon	Competition: Judges: <i>Matt Tolentino, Andy Mirkovich</i> Variety (V-1) Artistry: Accordion Artistry Performance 18 & over (AA-1)
1:30-3:45pm	Competition: Judges: <i>Beverley Fess, Andy Mirkovich</i> Duets (ADU-O), Diatonic (DI-O), Bands (BA-O)
4:30 pm	Auditorium closed for concert preparation-sound check
6:30 pm	Auditorium open for seating
6:50pm	Welcome
7:00-7:50pm	Gail Campanella – Classic Accordion Solos
7:50-8:10pm	break
8:10-9:00pm	Blaser-Faver Kapelle Band– Swiss Music

Festhalle - Saturday – June 27

8:45 am	Festhalle opens
9:30-Noon	Competition: Judges: <i>Hank Thunander, Beverley Fess</i> Variety (V-2), (V-3), Classical (18 & under CL-A), Duets (ADU-A), Artistry: Accordion Artistry Performance (17 & under AA-2)
12:30 pm	Frank Calapristi Accordion Parade/Gather at Festhalle
12:45 pm	Frank Calapristi Accordion Parade/Parade down Front Street to Gazebo
1:45-3:45pm	Competition: Judges: <i>Andy Mirkovich, Beverley Fess</i> Supplemental Band Competition (BA-O) Leavenworth Open (LV-O), Classical Open (CL-O)
4:30 pm	Auditorium closed for concert preparation-sound check
6:30 pm	Auditorium open for seating
6:50pm	Welcome Evening highlighting the best of Polka and Tango music
7:00-7:50pm	1st half: Lori Beth Brooke - Western-style w/yodelling
7:50-8:10pm	break
8:10-9:00pm	2nd half: Lori Beth Brooke - German-style w/yodelling

Festhalle – Sunday, June 28

9:00am	Festhalle opens
9:45 – 10:15	Competition Highlights Concert
10:15am	Awards Ceremony; Visiting and Clean up;
12:00pm	Festhalle closes