

**2024 Leavenworth International Accordion Celebration
Combined Schedule – Festhalle, Grange, Gazebo**

Festhalle - Thursday – June 20

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**
Evening featuring the **Night of the Orchestras**
7:00- 7:50pm **Northwest Accordionaires** (directed by Cooksie Kramer)
7:50-8:10pm **break**
8:10-9:00pm **Spokane Ensemble** (directed by Beverley Fess)

Festhalle - Friday – June 21

8:45 am **Festhalle opens**
10:00-Noon **Competition: Judges: *Andy Mirkovich, Jamie Maschler***
Variety (V-1)
Artistry: Accordion Artistry Performance 18 & over (AA-1)
12:30-1:15 **Presentation by Tom Tilton showcasing his Button Box display**
1:30-3:45pm **Competition: Judges: *Andy Mirkovich, Gabe Hall-Rodrigues***
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**
The Northwest's favorite Traditional Swing Band with Accordion
7:00-7:50pm **Concert featuring Pearl Django - Set 1**
7:50-8:10pm **break**
8:10-9:00pm **Concert featuring Pearl Django - Set 2**

Festhalle - Saturday – June 22

8:45 am **Festhalle opens**
9:30-Noon **Competition: Judges: *Beverley Fess, Jamie Maschler***
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: *Gary Blair, Andy Mirkovich***
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 featuring **Virtuoso Accordionists**
7:00-7:50pm **Concert featuring Toby and the Polka All-Stars**
7:50-8:10pm **break**
8:10-9:00pm **Concert featuring Gary Blair and Robin Hyland**

Festhalle – Sunday, June 23

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

Grange - Thursday, June 20

3:00-4:30pm **Workshop with Toby Hanson and Jakob Bean - FREE** Grange/Upper
(Playing in a group; rehearse Gazebo Ensemble performances)

Grange - Friday, June 21

9:00am **Grange opens** Grange
9:30-11:30am **Private Coaching:** with **John Giuliani, Gary Blair;** all skill levels Grange/Lower
10:00-11:00am **Workshop with Beverley Fess** Beyond The Notes Grange/Upper
11:30-12:30pm **Workshop with Toby Hanson** Understanding Chords for Accordionists Grange/Upper
1:00-2:00pm **Workshop with Gary Blair** How to Improve Technique and Authenticate Genres Grange/Upper
1:00-3:00pm **FREE Accordion lessons** by The Northwest Accordion Society Grange/Lower
2:15-4:15 pm **FREE Concert in Grange** (see details below) Grange/Upper
3:20-4:10pm **FYI-Gazebo Ensemble** (perform at the Gazebo) Gazebo
4:30-5:30pm **Workshop with David Lange** An Overview of Jazz and Jazz Improvisation Grange/Upper

Grange - Saturday, June 22

9:00am **Grange opens** Grange
9:30-11:30am **Private Coaching:** with **John Giuliani, Gary Blair;** all skill levels Grange/Lower
10:00-11:00am **Workshop with Andy Mirkovich** Grange/Upper
The Difference Between Demonstrating and Communicating with your Audience
12:30-1:15pm Frank Calapristi Accordion Parade (gather at Festhalle and parade down Front Street) Festhalle
1:30-2:30pm **Workshop with Jamie Maschler & Gabe Hall-Rodrigues** Accordion Gym Grange/Upper
1:00-3:00pm **FREE Accordion lessons** by The Northwest Accordion Society Grange/Lower
2:45-4:15pm **FREE Concert in Grange** (see details below) Grange/Upper
3:20-4:10pm **FYI-Gazebo Ensemble** (perform at the Gazebo) Gazebo
4:30-5:30pm **Workshop with Cooksie Kramer** Ask A Teacher - all welcome especially Youth Grange/Upper

Grange Concert Summary:

Friday, June 21(Host: Mark Myking)

2:15 – 2:35 Jim Lapsansky & Cathy Cowley
2:35 – 2:55 Charlie Brown
2:55 – 3:10 Mark Myking
3:10 – 3:30 Bev Fess & Ron Griffin
3:30 – 3:50 Birgit & Phil Ages
3:50 – 4:15 Sergei Teleshev & Masha Telesheva

Saturday, June 22 (Host: Mark Myking)

2:45 – 3:15 Dick Volin –video showcasing past accordion greats from the Northwest
Compiled by Dick and Lyle Schaefer from Seattle accordion socials
3:15 – 3:35 Max Kyllonen
3:35 – 3:55 Bonnie Birch
3:55 – 4:15 Jamie Maschler & Gabe Hall-Rodrigues

Notes: schedule subject to change; check website for details and updates;
an update board will also be posted in the Festhalle during the celebration.

Gazebo Schedule Summary:

See website Performances/Gazebo Schedule for details

Thurs: 11am – 5:00pm

Fri, Sat: 11am – 5:00pm (Gazebo Ensemble 3:20 – 4:10 p.m.)

Sun: 11am – 2:30pm

Private Coaching – This non-competitive category is held in the Grange with a team of professional accordionists;
Fri, Sat 9:30 – 11:30 am

FREE Accordion Lessons in the Grange – Fri, Sat 1:00 – 3:00 pm

LIAC 2025 Dates: June 26 – 29, 2025