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The LABBS Mixed Quartet Contest 2023 in collaboration with BABS and SAI Region 31

LABBS will host the Mixed Quartet Contest in 2023 in collaboration with BABS and SAI Region 31. The format of the contests will be as follows.

LABBS Quartet Prelims (24-25 June 2023)

A prelims contest for mixed quartets with a double panel on Sunday at LABBS Quartet Prelims (24-25 June 2023) with the top 6 mixed quartets going through to semi-finals to take place at LABBS Convention. There will also be one mixed quartet mic warmer going through to Convention.

LABBS Convention (27-29 October 2023)

There will be an integrated Semi-finals consisting of:

- 2 mic warmers (1 LABBS Quartet, 1 Mixed Quartet)
- 16 LABBS Quartets
- 6 Mixed Quartets
- 3 Past LABBS Quartet Champions competing for an International score

Followed by a Final consisting of:

- 2 mic warmers (1 LABBS Quartet, 1 Mixed Quartet)
- 8 LABBS Quartets
- 3 Mixed Quartets
- 2 mic coolers (outgoing LABBS Quartet Champion; outgoing Mixed Quartet Champion)
- 3 Past LABBS Quartet Champions competing for an International score

These will take place on Friday.

The Mixed Quartet competition at LABBS Convention will be over two rounds which satisfies the requirements for qualification to be nominated by LABBS to compete at BHS International if the minimum BHS qualifying score is met. More details can be found here ([LABBS-BHS Nomination Process](#)). Past Mixed Quartet Champions will be given the opportunity to compete for an International score – more details will be available soon.

Rules and Eligibility

The revised Mixed Contest rules for 2023 and will be made available soon on <https://www.labbs.org.uk/contest-rules>.

Registration and Entry

All Mixed Quartets will need to register with LABBS to be able to take part in the 2023 contest. The fee for registration is £20/quartet. Members of the Mixed quartet must meet the eligibility rules set out in the contest rules. Link to registration form - [LABBS Mixed Quartet Registration Form](#)

Mixed quartets can be made up of LABBS members, BABS members and SAI R31 members. Quartet members who are BABS or SAI R31 members will be given free of charge LABBS MQ membership which allows them to compete as part of a Mixed Quartet but does not entitle them to any other LABBS members benefits. In order to benefit from LABBS quartet grants, all 4 members must be paid up members of LABBS.

In addition to Quartet registration, a Mixed Quartet must enter the contest and pay the contest entry fee. The contest entry fee is £30/quartet. Link to contest form ([LABBS Quartets Contest Entry Form](#)).



For Mixed Quartets that go through to the semi-final (which takes place at LABBS Convention), the appropriate Convention delegate registration (All Events Pass) will need to be purchased by all members of the quartet (more details on LABBS Website).

Important dates

All competing Mixed Quartets must have registered both as a quartet and for contest AND paid the relevant fee by Friday 10th March 2023. The draw for Quartet Prelims will take place on Saturday 25th March at the LABBS Council Meeting.