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Local music acts invited to entertain at this year's Fiesta

Organisers of the Bristol International Balloon Fiesta, in partnership with local brewers, Zero Degrees are inviting local music acts to apply to perform before the hundreds of thousands expected at this year's event.

This year's Fiesta, which takes place 11 – 14th August, will include a local bandstand that organisers are planning to programme with a variety of local bands, singer-songwriters, musicians and performance artists.

The Fiesta, which is now in its 33rd year, attracts approximately half a million visitors over the four days of the event providing a platform for local acts to showcase their talent.

Muir Moffat, chairman of the Fiesta Organising Committee, said: "This year the Fiesta is celebrating 40 years of balloon manufacturing in the city, as part of a greater theme 'Made in Bristol.'

"The introduction of a bandstand at the Fiesta will provide us with another platform to showcase what is best about the West and give local acts the opportunity to flaunt their talent to the Fiesta's visitors."

Local musicians wanting to take up this opportunity are asked to visit the Fiesta website www.bristolballoonfiesta.co.uk and download the application form before returning it along with a demo tape to the organisers of this year's Fiesta.

Over 100 balloons of all shapes and sizes are already expected at this year's event, providing a spectacle as they take to the sky in mass ascents each morning and evening from Friday to Sunday.

Arena and air displays including the Red Arrows, over 250 trade stands, local and international food stalls, a funfair and a huge variety of other entertainment complete the fun-packed festival.

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