

Making Music also means: **playing music in the streets!**

In the early years of Berlin's "Fête de la Musique", it was still something of a novelty – indeed, sometimes a surprise – for many musicians when they were offered the chance to play on the streets on 21 June. This concession had been wrested from the authorities with some effort, and it was with great joy that the musicians were told that the streets could now become a stage in Berlin too – just as the Fête de la Musique in France has always exemplified.

Nowadays, this is taken for granted. The street has established itself as the stage of the summer. People come from all over the world to reclaim Berlin's streets through music, in keeping with the motto "Reclaim the Streets". You are also warmly invited to perform in the streets and public spaces during the Fête de la Musique, provided you observe the following:

- The maximum duration of play at any one location must not exceed one hour per day (after which you may/must move on to another location).
- Any musical instruments and sound systems used must be positioned in such a way that the nearest residents are not directly exposed to the sound. Music must not be played directly beneath the windows of residential properties.
- Items left on public roads, such as sound systems, require a special use permit. Please contact the district Roads and Parks Department.
- Music must not be played in the immediate vicinity of residential properties (minimum distance 20 metres) or hospitals, care homes, churches, mosques, synagogues and similar facilities requiring protection (minimum distance 60 metres).
- Street music is generally subject to the guidelines issued by the Senate Department for Health, Environment and Consumer Protection (Reasonableness of Street Music) and, in particular, to the relevant permits under the Berlin Noise Protection Act (LImSchG Bln) and the Technical Instructions on Noise (TA Lärm).
- **RESPECT YOUR NEIGHBOURS.** You should play at a volume that is neither too loud nor too quiet, so that nobody feels disturbed by it.

KEEP THE SPIRIT ALIVE!

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