

'Pan is Beautiful Three' begins at Complex tonight

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THE TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO biennial Steelband Music Festival "Pan is Beautiful Three" begins tonight with nine bands appearing in the first of the preliminary rounds.

All rounds of the competition will be held at the Jean Pierre Sports Complex starting at 7 p.m. The preliminaries will continue through the weekend, ending on Sunday 21 October. Ten bands will appear on Saturday and another ten on Sunday.

Altogether 29 bands and 37 soloists will compete. The semi-finals will be held on 29 and 30 October and Finals on Saturday, November 3.

All the conventional bands will receive a \$5,000 performance fee for both the preliminaries and semi-finals. Old time steelbands will receive a \$2,500 appearance fee for the preliminaries and a \$5,000 appearance fee for the finals.

There will be no semi-final in the Pan Around the Neck Competition. Conventional bands will receive \$10,000 as an appearance fee for the finals.

Pan Trinbago has issued a table of bands, with their tune of choice, calypso of choice, their leaders, arrangers and conductors. The Test piece for all conventional bands is "Cosi Fan Tutte" by Mozart and "Nocturne" in E by Chopin for Old Time Steelbands.

Order of Appearance for Bands in 1984 Steelband Music Festival.

TODAY:

1. BIRDSONG: Tunes of Choice: Leonora #2-Beethoven, and Mr. T-Gryner. Leader: Keith Castor, Arranger: Pat Bishop. Conductor: Pat Bishop. Location: University of the West Indies, St. Augustine.

2. DUNLOP TORNADOES: Tunes of choice: Raymond's Overture-Ambrose Thomas, Lucy-Blue Boy. Leader: Fitzroy Lennon. Arrangers: Jit Samaroo, Cuthbert Mathews. Conductor: Cuthbert Mathews. Location: Handel Road, Point Fortin.

3. BLUE DIAMONDS: Tunes of Choice: Overture 'L' Italiana M Acgeri-Rossini, Sweet Pan-Kitchener. Leader: Reynold Kinsale. Arranger: Trevor Valentine. Conductor: Trevor Valentine. Location: George Street, P.O.S.

4. AMOCO RENEGADES: Tunes of Choice: Orphans of the Underworld, Sweet Pan-Kitchener. Leader Patrick Penco. Arranger: Jit Samaroo. Location: Charlotte Street, Port-of-Spain.

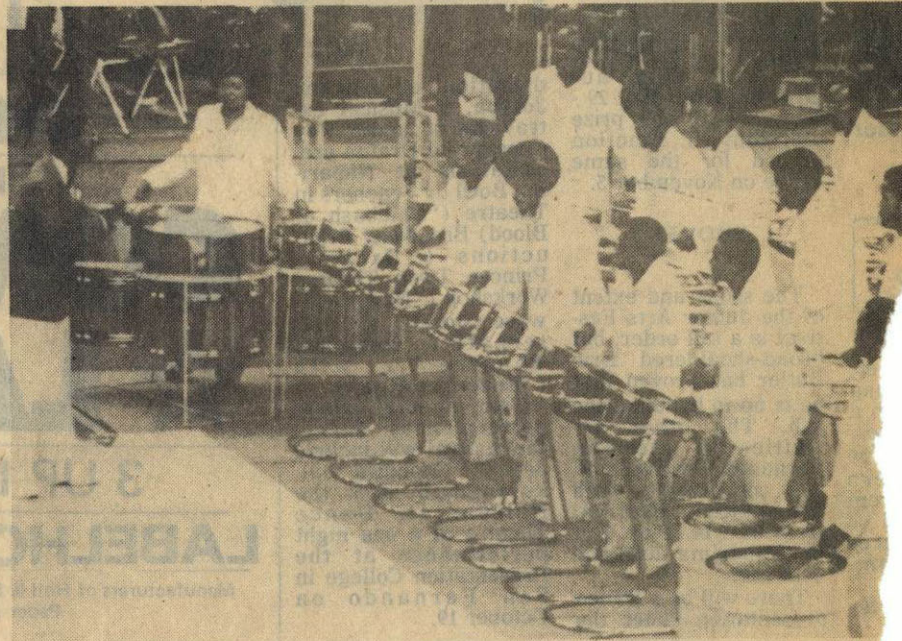
5. NU TONES: Tunes of Choice: Capriccio Italiene-Tchaikovsky, I Music-Len Sharpe. Leader: Albert Neptune. Arranger: Desmond Waithe. Conductor: Desmond Waithe. Location: Coryal Lane, Arima.

6. SKIFFLE BUNCH: Pan Around the Neck Band. Tunes of Choice have not been submitted for the competition.

7. MATSECURITIES MERRYTONES: Tunes of Choice: The Hebrides Overture-Fingals, Doh Back Back-Sparrow. Leader: Ulrick Henry. Arranger: Kendall Lewis. Conductors: Alma Pierre, Kendall Lewis. Location: Diego Martin.

8. GERIZIM ANGEL HARPS: Tunes of Choice: The Force of Destiny-Verdi, Sweet Pan-Kitchener. Leader: Mervin Saunders. Arranger: Patrick Douglin. Conductor: Patrick Douglin. Location: Arima.

9. TRINTOC ALL STARS: Tunes of Choice: Symphony's 1st Movement-Beethoven, Doh Back Back-Sparrow. Leader: Carl Brown. Arranger: David Young. Conductor: Armstrong.



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