



Rachel Clemente

New England based pedal and traditional Scottish harpist, Rachel Clemente will be the adjudicator at the 2019 Ligonier Highland Games. She began her harp training at age 5 and discovered her love of Scottish music through events and competitions held by the Scottish Harp Society of America and the Ohio Scottish Arts School. Her musical education then continued at renowned arts boarding high school, Interlochen Arts Academy.

In July of 2018, Rachel graduated from the Royal Conservatoire of Scotland in Glasgow with a bachelors degree in traditional Scottish music. She also won the title of U.S National Scottish Harp Champion in 2016.

Currently Rachel is focusing on establishing The Granville Harp Fest in her hometown of Granville, Ohio as well as performing and teaching students and workshops around the eastern U.S.

WELCOME TO THE GAMES!

We invite you to come to the Ligonier Highland Games this September to be Scottish for a day and experience the Scottish Highlands here in Pennsylvania. You can enjoy the sights and sounds of the Highlands and watch massed **pipe bands** march on the field and fill the air with the skirl of **bagpipes**. Witness **athletes** in amazing skills of strength and **tossing cabers** the size of telephone poles. See the pageantry of **Scottish clans** and explore your roots. Watch **highland dancing**, **Scottish breed dogs** and have the wee lads and lassies take part in miniature games too. Explore the vendor area for exotic goods and listen to poets and singers perform in **ancient Gaelic**. And watch and hear some of the best **Scottish and Celtic musicians** perform ancient songs and modern favorites.

The Ligonier Highland Games works to preserve Scottish traditions and provide cultural outreach and scholarships in all aspects of Scottish arts. An all volunteer organization, all of the money raised goes to operating the Games and scholarship programs. We present scholarships for dancing, piping, drumming, harping, fiddling and Gaelic language and others through the Clan Donald Educational and Charitable Trust. This year the Highland Games and Clan Donald Trust together will award more than \$9000 in scholarships, bringing our total to over \$280,000 since we began the Games 61 years ago.

The Ligonier Highland Games



and
Scottish Harp
Society
Competition

Scottish Harp Competition Entry Form SHSA Sanctioned

Saturday
September 14, 2019

At
Idlewild Park
Ligonier, PA

Ligonier Highland Games

HARP COMPETITION CATEGORIES AND ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Competitors enclose entry fee of \$18 made payable to the "Ligonier Highland Games." Please enclose S.A.S.E.

If not an SHSA member also include a membership fee of \$18 with check payable to SHSA. **This gives you a one-year membership in SHSA that includes a subscription to Kilt & Harp.**

All Advance Entrants will receive an Admission Pass
Advance Entries close September 1, 2019
Field entries will be accepted.

Age Categories

1. Youth, 17 years old and under
2. Open

Classes

1. Rank Beginner
2. Novice
3. Apprentice
4. Journeyman
5. Master
6. Special
 - a. Vocal
 - b. Spoken Word
 - c. Ensemble
 - d. Ensemble & Re-Emerging Form
 - e. Non-graded

Please see the Scottish Harp Society of America handbook for styles of music, rules and details which are available at their web site, www.SHSA.org or contact competition chairperson: Melanie Sandrock 1637 Princess Lane, Pittsburgh, PA15236-3637 412-653-3847 email: kicker15smom@yahoo.com

First four places in Classes 1 through 5
will receive medals

Medals in Special Class will be awarded as appropriate

Sponsored by the Scottish Harp Society of America and Western
Pennsylvania Folk Harp Society.

Harper of the Day will be engraved on the
St. Andrew's Trophy

**This competition is fully sanctioned by the
Scottish Harp Society of America**

SCOTTISH HARP COMPETITIONS

Workshop Leader & Judge
Rachel Clemente

HARPER REGISTRATION
begins in the Harp Pavilion
at 8:30 a.m

HARP COMPETITION
begins at 9:00 a.m.

HARP Workshop
1:45 p.m.

*followed by a harp
harp circle at 2:30 p.m..*

Faith Stenning Scholarship Award of \$100 for First
Place in Masters Category Presented by the American
Harp Society/Pittsburgh Chapter

IDLEWILD PARK

The Ligonier Highland Games takes place in
Idlewild Park which is located on U.S. Rte. 30 just
three miles west of the town of Ligonier, PA.
Signs to the Park are located at PA Tpk. exit 90
as well as along Rte. 30. Free parking is provided
in the Park.

Ligonier Highland Games
324 Forrest Street, Altoona, PA 16601
or see
www.LigonierHighlandGames.org

Ligonier Highland Games Harp Entry September 14, 2019

*Make Checks Payable to
Ligonier Highland Games*

Mail Entry with Payment & S.A.S.E. to:
Melanie Sandrock
1637 Princess Lane,
Pittsburgh, PA 15236-3637

Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State/Zip _____

Tel: (_____) _____

email _____

If competing: Class _____

check one: _____ Youth _____ Open

**The following waiver must be signed in order
for you to compete.**

I/we hereby waive any claims I/we may have for
damages against the Clan Donald Educational and
Charitable Trust, the Ligonier Highland Games or
Idlewild Park for any injuries or loss which may be
suffered by the above named competitor, or, if a
minor, the parents or guardians of the competitor in
any events conducted by these organizations at
Idlewild Park, Ligonier, Pennsylvania

Signed _____