Entertainer Categories:

There are entertainer site locations designated in the park for each entertainer category.

**Musician:** Vocal and acoustic music
Ten Sites, 1-10

**Performers:** Clowns, balloonists, and portrait artists, etc.
Ten Sites, 11-20

**Show Acts:** Audience interaction (e.g. magicians, jugglers, dance, improv., etc.)
Five Sites, 21-25

How to Obtain an Entertainer Permit:

- Balboa Park entertainer permits are issued during the lottery (random drawing) for a site selection. Please see the lottery schedule below.

- **Lottery location:**
  
  Balboa Park Administration Building
  Rear of building, outside door #1
  2125 Park Boulevard
  San Diego, CA 92101
  (Thomas Bros. Pg. 1289, C-2)

- **What to bring:**
  - Valid photo identification (eg. State Driver’s License, or Passport)
  - Ink pen

Lottery Schedule:

The lottery for site selection is conducted promptly at **10:00 am** every first Saturday of the month.

Note: dates may change due to large events in the park.

The Entertainer Program rules and regulations are enclosed in this brochure. These rules and regulations govern the use of the Entertainer Permits. Please read them carefully.
1. Entertainers must possess his or her permit while on site, and shall allow inspection of the permit by any City Police, Fire Official or Park and Recreation staff.

2. Balboa Park entertainer permits are valid only for the person to whom it was issued. Said permit can not be transferred, assigned, loaned, copied, altered, or exchanged.

3. Entertainers are expected to familiarize themselves with the site locations, and rules and regulations. Entertainer site locations are limited to a 10' x 10' area maximum.

4. Entertainers with a valid and current permit may share their designated site with another entertainer permittee within the same entertainer category (musician, performer, or show act). However, can not utilize the designated site concurrently unless the permittees/entertainers are performing/entertaining together as part of a group*. The Entertainer whom is assigned the particular designated site has precedence over any other permitted Entertainer. Entertainers can utilize the sites only between the hours of 10:00 a.m. and sunset.

5. The permittee takes full responsibility for the Entertainer(s) who is/are under the age of 18, and is required to be on the permitted site with them at all times.

6. *Entertainer groups are limited to 5 persons. Any group member of the permittee can not utilize a site or perform as entertainment without the permittee on site and actively participating in providing the entertainment to the public. Any group member of the said permittee can not perform as separate entertainment.

7. No entertainer shall utilize a site during scheduled special events or park maintenance which impacts the area.

8. Boisterous, indecent, riotous or threatening behavior is prohibited 63.0102(b) (16) SDMC.

9. One sign no larger than “8.5 x 11” clearly stating “Donations accepted” must be displayed while on site, and is the responsibility of the permittee to supply one. One additional sign no larger than 24”x 36” may be displayed only to state the nature of the entertainment provided.

10. Solicitation is prohibited. It is unlawful to practice, carry on, conduct, or solicit for trade, occupation, business or profession 63.0102(b) (14) SDMC.

11. Do not damage city property, including but not limited to, turf, shrubbery, or irrigation system 63.0102(b) (4) SDMC and 63.0102(b) (5) SDMC. Entertainers, please stay off of the park turf during weekdays.

12. Do not impede park visitor traffic. Do not obstruct the free travel of any vehicle or pedestrian over any of the walks, roads, or avenues of the park 63.0102(b) (25) SDMC.

13. The City of San Diego prohibits the use of any water, equipment, electric power, benches or chairs, etc. to be used for the entertainer’s act.

14. Posting of any items upon any tree, shrub, or any other city structure is not allowed 63.0102(b) (1) SDMC. Littering is not allowed 63.0102(b) (8) SDMC.

15. Entertainment involving fire, sharp objects, or any other dangerous items are prohibited 63.0102(b) (11) SDMC.

16. Sound amplification of any kind is not permitted including instruments, voice, background or accompanying music etc. Reduction of volume levels is at City Police, Fire Official or Park and Recreation staff’s discretion.

17. Helium or mylar balloons are not permitted.

18. Possession or being under the influence of alcohol or narcotics is strictly prohibited.

19. No entertainer shall perform with more instruments, props, equipment, or other items than that entertainer can reasonably transport or remove at one time.