

Quest 2010

2010 Rules and Regulations and Participation Agreement

1. The Quest for the Stars program was developed by the Page County Department of Recreation's Cultural Programs Coordinator as an opportunity for Page County's vocal talents to be heard. The Page County Department of Recreation does not claim to be able to promote these vocalists in any other means other than within the capabilities of this competition.
2. Quest for the Stars is open to all citizens ages 14 and above who live or work in Page County. Proof of age, residency and/or employment may be required. Contestants under the age of 18 must have parent or guardian permission to participate .
3. The Quest program is intended to be enjoyable and provide a means in which citizens can express their vocal talent.
4. There are no individual monetary payments made or received for participating in this competition, the public appearances or concerts performed as a part of being in Quest for the Stars. Any donations or admission fees received from competitions, public performances, concerts or CD sales are deposited into the Page County Department of Recreation's Enterprise Fund by the Page County Treasurer and are used for the continuation of the program. The only exclusion being the WINNER'S AGREEMENT regarding his/her CD production and sales.
5. There is no registration fee for participating in the Quest program, however the contestant will be responsible for certain fees as outlined below, such as sound track and/or recording fees.
6. The contestant understands the Coordinator, Sharon Sampsell, is responsible for the coordination, organization and implementation of this program and DOES NOT determine the judging outcome or audience voting results of the competition.
7. The contestant understands the voting and judging of the competition will be as follows:
 - SHOWCASE : There will be no voting or judging at the February 20th Showcase.
 - REGULAR CONTESTS: The March 27th, April 24th, May 22nd and June 26th contests will be as follows:
 - * AUDIENCE VOTES: Each paying audience member will receive a voting ticket upon entering the competition site. Each contestant will have a voting box displayed at the exit of the competition. The audience will place their voting ticket in the voting box of the contestant of their choice when leaving the competition. Voting boxes will not be available nor will voting take place until all contestants have performed. Votes will be counted by the Ticket/Voting Coordinator and confirmed by the Sharon Sampsell after each competition. Each contestant will be ranked according to the number of votes received. If there is a tie, the tied contestants will receive the same votes ranking.
 - * JUDGES: Each competition will be judged by three (3) judges. Contestants will be scored from 1-10 points in the categories of Vocal Quality, Stage Presentation and Audience Appeal; with a total possible score between 3-30. Each contestant will be ranked according to their total score. Rankings will be confirmed by Sharon Sampsell. If there is a tie, the tied contestants will receive the same judges ranking.
 - * ACCUMULATIVE SCORING: March, April and May rankings will be accumulative.
 - * FINALE: Not all contestants will perform at the Finale on June 26. The top four contestants based on the March, April and May accumulative scoring will be announced at the beginning of the Finale. At this point each of the final four will start new with rankings and will sing two songs each. The Quest judges will determine the winner based on the performances of the final four contestants. The Quest for the Stars 2010 winner will be announced at the end of the Finale performances; ALL DECISIONS ARE FINAL.
8. The contestant understands that he/she will be required to participate in group vocal numbers for each competition, requiring practice time. There will be two practices prior to each contest and all contestants will be required to attend unless advance is given to the Coordinator.
9. The contestant understands that there may occasionally be a post-competition meeting and that every effort will be made to attend.
10. The contestant is solely responsible for practicing his/her own competition song. Group practices will include practice for individual competition songs a the second practice only (Friday prior to contest).
11. Each competition will have a music theme and selections for the competition must be appropriate for that theme. Competition themes will be announced at the February 2nd meeting.

12. Music selections must be made in advance according to a time schedule determined by the Coordinator; normally two-weeks in advance of competition dates. IT WILL BE THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTESTANT TO OBTAIN THEIR OWN MUSIC. The Quest Coordinator can burn soundtracks if available from known sources for a processing fee of \$2.00 per song, payable on receipt of soundtrack. Any music that is requested to be obtained for the contestant by the Coordinator, must be done in a timely manner and from an available music source.
13. A Master CD of all song selections will be used at each competition. All soundtracks must be give to the Coordinator by the Tuesday before each competition to be copied in producing the Master CD. NO SONG SELECTIONS CAN BE CHANGED AFTER THE MASTER CD IS RECORDED.
14. There will be a dress rehearsal immediately prior to each competition beginning at 5:00 PM at the competition location. The contestant must be on site NO LATER THAN 4:45 PM and prepared to rehearse both their individual song and group number at that time. If rehearsal is running late, sound checks only will be done on individual songs.
15. Dress rehearsals are closed to a public audience and family members and friends will not be allowed to observe.
16. The contestant understands that family members and friends are required to pay the admission fee prior/upon entering the competition site.
17. The contestant will be allowed to reserve a maximum of four (4) seats for each competition.
18. The winner of Quest for the Stars will receive 20 hours of studio recording time, a winning trophy, county-wide recognition and public performance appearances. Possible other sponsorships and promotions to be announced.
19. The contestant understands this competition is based on vocal talent, stage presence and audience appeal; however competition character will be noted. Any behavior on or off the stage during the course of the contestants participation in this program, that could cause a negative reflection to this competition, the Page County Department of Recreation, the Coordinator or any of the contestants or individuals involved with Quest for the Stars will not be tolerated. This includes the use or suspected use of alcohol or illegal drugs, or unacceptable language.
20. The Page County Department of Recreation and/or the Quest Coordinator may disqualify any contestant and/or winner of Quest for the Stars if he/she commits any act or becomes involved in any situation that could adversely reflect on the Page County Department of Recreation, or any sponsor or party involved with the implementation of the "Quest for the Stars" competition, or tend to bring it to pubic dispute.
21. The Page County Department of Recreation/Quest Coordinator is authorized to resolve all disputes of the Quest for the Stars competition and will disqualify any contestant and/or winner for failure to comply with the rules and regulations of the competition, including errors or admissions. All decisions made by the Page County Department of Recreation/Quest Coordinator are final.
22. The contestant/winner releases and holds harmless the Page County Department of Recreation, any sponsors, subsidiaries, affiliates, directors, officers, employees, agents and insurers for any and all liability or injuries, loss, damage or expense of any kind arising from or in connection with performing their responsibilities as a contestant/winner for Quest for the Stars.
23. The contestant understands he/she is a STAR regardless of the outcome of the competition!

I UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE QUEST FOR THE STARS PROGRAM AS OUTLINED ABOVE.

Signed: _____ Signed: _____
 Quest Contestant Sharon Sampsell - Coordinator

Signed: _____ Date: _____
 Parent/Guardian (If Under the Age of 18)