



Official Contest Rules & Agreement

The participant named on a properly signed Lynchburg Star Registration Form (hereafter known as "Participant") and Lynch's Landing, The City of Lynchburg, and other sponsors (hereafter known as "Organizers") agree to the following terms with respect to the Lynchburg Star Contest:

1. Before auditioning, every participant must submit the \$10 registration fee and a completed, signed registration form verifying that he/she has read the Lynchburg Star Official Contest Rules and Participant Agreement.
2. Participants are encouraged to pre-register starting April 29, 2009 by visiting the Lynch's Landing office at 1023 Commerce Street, Lynchburg VA 24504. Participants may also register by printing their application and mailing it to the Lynch's Landing office along with the registration fee. A night will be assigned to all Participants who mail in their registration and they will be notified by phone and/or email of their performance night and time.
3. Registration will not be accepted at any of the contest nights, unless there are open slots. Information about open slots will be posted and updated weekly at www.LynchburgStar.com.
4. The performance nights are Fridays May 22 & 29, June 5, 12, 19, & 26, July 10, 17, 24, & 31, and August 7, 2009 at the Friday Cheers™ event at the Lynchburg Community Market.
5. Participants will be assigned a night to perform based on availability. Each night of the contest there will be a limited number of performance slots available, so the number of participants is limited.
6. Time slots will begin promptly at 5:30pm and end at 6pm, and time slots will also be assigned during band breaks, approximately 7:15-7:45.
7. Each of the 11 nights of the contest a winner will be determined by the judges. This Participant will then become a Finalist. The 11 Finalists will perform on August 14, 2009 from 5:30pm - 7pm as the opening act at the final night of Friday Cheers for country music duo Joey & Rory. One winner will be selected by the judges and announced at the end of event, approximately 9pm.
8. All participants must be at least 12 years of age as of the date they are assigned to sing.
9. Participants under the age of 18 as of the date they are assigned to sing must have a parent sign his/her Lynchburg Star Registration Form before auditioning.
10. Participants, their guests, friends, supporters, etc... under the age of 21 as of the date they are assigned to sing must be accompanied by a legal guardian to enter the event due to the event taking place at Friday Cheers™.
11. Participants can sing solo, or as duo or group. Each Participant must fill out and sign a registration form and pay the \$10 registration fee to be eligible.
12. Each person that accompanies the Participant must pay \$5 admission to enter. The Participant will not be required to pay the \$5 admission.
13. All audition songs must be sung *a cappella*—without music or accompaniment of any kind. Finalist performing on August 14, 2009 will be allowed to sing a song no longer than 4 minutes and may use an instrument that does not require any set up or may perform to a pre-recorded track with music only. If performing to a track, the Finalist must give two copies of the track to the Organizer no later than August 11, 2009. If playing an instrument, finalist must first get Organizers approval.
14. All weekly auditions will be limited to 30 seconds of singing. Participants should sing the 30 seconds of their audition song that best showcases their voice—even if those 30 seconds come in the middle of the song. The judges reserve the right to ask a participant to stop singing before the 30 seconds are up. No vulgar songs or songs with profanity may be performed.
15. The Participant will conduct him/herself courteously and professionally throughout the Lynchburg Star Contest.
16. Participants may sign up to sing more than one night of the contest but may only win one time and are allowed to only sing one song each night.

17. Participants must check in at Registration tent located at the Main Stage no later than 5:15pm on their assigned night. Finalists must check in no later than 5pm on August 14, 2009.
18. Decisions of judges are final. Questioning a judge's decision will result in immediate expulsion from the competition.
19. Only participants are allowed backstage during auditions and/or performances.
20. **For Minors:** If participant is a minor, parents may *not* accompany child backstage for auditions and/or performances. Children who wish to participate must be able to audition and perform unaccompanied by a parent or guardian.
21. The Organizers are not responsible for any delays or non-receipt of applications on any account and for any reason whatsoever.
22. Refunds will not be given once registration is accepted and Participant is assigned a performance date and time. Rescheduling is also not accepted to be fair to everyone.
23. Incorrect information on the Lynchburg Star Registration Form or on any other form furnished to the Organizers in connection with the Lynchburg Star Contest will result in disqualification, whether discovered prior to, during, or after the Final Event.
24. Organizers retain the right to refuse allowance of a performance at our discretion.
25. The schedule is subject to change at the discretion of the Organizers.
26. The Organizers are not responsible for non-completion/non-occurrence of the Contest.
27. Any Participant who fails to strictly comply with the Lynchburg Star Participant Agreement or any other rules established by the Organizers, or who fails to appear as required, shall be disqualified.
28. The Organizers are not responsible for any loss or physical injury that occurs to the Participant on account of Participant's participation in the Lynchburg Star Contest. The Participant will participate at his/her own risk and will have no claim against the Organizers in any regard.
29. In the event of any dispute, the Organizers' decisions are final and binding on the Participant. The panel of judges' decisions will be final.
30. The Organizers make no guarantees that participation in the Lynchburg Star Contest will result in the Participant being selected to participate in any show or event, record any music, or in any other way have an amateur or professional performing career.
31. Participant's image, likeness, and voice may be used in promotional material and television and radio broadcasts as well as in any other medium (including the Web) that the Organizers deem appropriate. All images, video, and sound obtained by Lynch's Landing become the property of Lynch's Landing. No compensation is given for any reason in relation to this contest.
32. The prizes will be awarded to the winner of the Lynchburg Star contest only. The winner will receive: \$50 gift certificate for Lynchburg Music Company, provided by Lynchburg Music Company; a professional photo shoot yielding professional head shots by Simple Reflections, provided by Simple Reflections; handwritten & signed lyrics and a photo by Phil Vassar, provided by Phil Vassar; a feature story in an upcoming issue of Lynchburg Living magazine; and 20 hours of recording studio time (recording, editing, & mixing) yielding a demo CD by Audio Innovations provided by Audio Innovations. The prizes are awarded to the winner based on the judge's decision. If the winner is a duo or group, the prize is still one prize and will be given to the representative of the group. All prizes are redeemable at sole discretion of sponsor providing the prize. Prizes carry no cash value and can not be transferred or traded. Failure to adhere to rules will forfeit prizes. Organizers are not responsible for the content or execution of prizes.

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