

The Kingston Fall Fair Country Singing Showdown

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS



1. Open to male or female contestants of any nationality performing as a single or duo. (You may play an instrument on stage, but you will be judged only on your vocal abilities).
2. All songs, including originals performed at the contest must feature country lyrics and for this event Gospel music shall not be classified as country. No stage props, sheet music, special effects or lighting may be used by performers.
3. **Competitors must provide their own back up music on C.D format for each date they appear in the contest.** NOTE: THE COMPETITORS ARE RESPONSIBLE TO PICK UP THEIR C.D.'s FOLLOWING PERFORMANCES.
4. Entrants shall not have released a recording that has received commercial airplay for the purpose of selling records, or have earned combined revenues in excess of \$1,000 (Cdn.) from personal music performances and/or Internet downloads (e.g. YouTube, iTunes, etc.), as of the date set for the current Kingston Fall Fair.
5. Registration and sign in: Junior Division: 7:00pm - 7:30pm. Open Division: 7:30pm- 8:00pm. Junior Division competition begins at 8:00pm with the Open Division immediately following.
6. No contestant is an owner, controlling stock holder, employee (within the last 12 months) or immediate family member of the sponsoring businesses or presenting groups.
7. Performers of any age may enter the Open Division of the contest. However you may only compete in one division in any given year.
8. An ENTRY FEE shall be paid by each contestant to the organizers prior to performing at the qualifying nights. Open Division = \$20.00 and Junior Division = \$10.00
Contestants who do not qualify on a given night may re-enter the contest space permitting. The fee for re-entering shall be \$10.00 for the Open Division and \$5.00 for the Junior Division.
9. OPEN DIVISION & JUNIOR DIVISION: Up to 12 contestants from each Division will be accepted each qualifying night from which a maximum of 2 winners from each Division will be chosen by the judges to advance directly to the Finals at the Kingston Fall Fair in September.
10. Previous first place winners are NOT eligible to compete in the contest once they have won the open division, however a junior division winner may enter the open category in some subsequent year. A Junior winner may not re-enter the Junior Division contest.
11. Junior contestants must show I.D. clearly stating that they are 18 or younger as of the date the first night of qualifying begins for that year's contest.
12. All finalists performing at the Kingston Fall Fair must become a member of the Agricultural Society. A membership fee of \$7.00 for all adult contestants and \$1.00 for all junior contestants shall be charged for insurance purposes and collected the night each contestant qualifies.

EXCEPTIONAL CONDITIONS WILL BE EXAMINED BY EVENT ORGANIZERS

WHOSE DECISION SHALL BE FINAL.

