

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

RULES and REGULATIONS

The Cary Park District and Dr. Woods Guitar Emporium are excited to host an afternoon of local teen talent on **Saturday, May 19, 2012** at the Lions Park Bandshell. Spots are limited, so **interested bands must fill out the attached entry form and submit it beginning January, 31** to the Cary Park District Community Center. **Bands will be selected in the order the completed entry forms are submitted.**

- First priority will be given to bands that have at least one member who resides within the Cary Park District boundaries.
- Bands must consist of at least two members, one of which plays an instrument throughout the majority of the performance. **Band must be unsigned and the entire performance must be live (no tracks).**
- Band members must be between **the ages of 12-21** (half must be no older than 19 years of age as of August 20, 2012).
- Each band member under the age of 18 must have a parent signature on the entry form to participate.
- In the event that more bands submit an entry form than spots allow, some bands may not have the opportunity to participate in this event. **Bands will be notified of their acceptance in this competition by March 16, 2012.**
- The winning band of our local competition is eligible to compete at a regional competition (usually in July or early August). The regional winners will compete at the State Battle of the Bands on a date to be determined in Springfield during the State Fair, August 9-19.
- Band name and lyrics of performance songs must not contain any obscenities. The entire performance must be violence-free and suitable for a family audience.
- The band members must supply any musical instruments and equipment not provided by the host site. A sound system *may* be available at the local competition. Band members are responsible for the security of their equipment and the event organizers cannot be held liable for any lost, damaged, or stolen equipment.
- All bands will receive an equal amount of time on stage (**20 minutes of playing time**), plus all set-up and take-down time. When a band is done performing, they are expected to allow the next band to get on stage as quickly as possible.
- Time-slots will be assigned randomly before the competition and all bands will be notified (by May 1).
- On the day of the performance, band members must be dressed in clothing free from obscenities, drugs, alcohol, sex, or any other subject matter not suitable for a family audience.
- Drugs, alcohol, and tobacco are not permitted on the host site property during the Battle of the Bands Competition (local, regional or state).
- There will be a required band/organizer meeting prior to the start of the performance. Bands will meet the organizers in charge and review any last minute announcements. Bands may also unload equipment at that time. We encourage all band members to stay during the entire event in support of your fellow musicians. All bands must be present at the end of the performances for the announcement of the winners.
- If a band incites moshing or any other sort of violence in the crowd, the band will be disqualified because they are putting people in the crowd at risk.
- Fires, pyrotechnics, fog machines, etc. are not allowed.
- A panel of judges will score musicians using a point system. Criteria to be considered *may* include: Stage Presentation, Sound Volume & Clarity, Band Synchronization, Time Management, Song Quality & Originality, Stage Management, Band Enthusiasm & Attitude, and Audience Response.
- All bands agree to have their name, voice, and/or likenesses used in any advertising or broadcasting material relating to this contest without any compensation or rights to royalties for such use.
- The Cary Park District and Dr. Woods Guitar Emporium reserve the right to make changes to the rules and regulations of the competition, as well as the final word in any disputes that should arise concerning this event.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS ENTRY FORM

** Spots are limited, so interested bands must fill out this form and submit it beginning January 31 to Tara Blakesley at the Cary Park District Community Center. Bands will be selected in the order the completed entry forms are submitted.*

Band Name: _____

Style of Music: _____

C.P.D. staff use only:
Date & Time received:

Primary Contact: (Band Member – non published information) – **Please print legibly**

Name: _____ Address: _____

City, State, ZIP: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Adult Contact Name: _____ Adult Contact Cell Phone: _____

(An adult contact is needed for any band with any members under the age of 18.)

Public Contact: (Published info for web site, programs, advertising, etc.) – **Please print legibly**

Email: _____ Band MySpace Page: _____

Band Website: _____ Band Facebook Page: _____

By signing below, each band member confirms that he or she will be between 12-21 years of age as of August 20, 2012 and has read and will follow the Rules & Regulations of this contest. Any violation of these rules by any member of the band may result in the immediate disqualification of the entire band.

Band Member Name (Please print legibly)	Instrument/Vocals:	City:	Age:
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

(If your band has more than six members, please list additional info and signatures on the back of this form)

Parent/Guardian Name & Signatures (for members under the age of 18):

Please print name & then sign

Please print name & then sign

Please print name & then sign

(If your band has more than six members under 18, please list additional guardian signatures on the back of this form)