

# **Eligibility Guidelines**

In order to be eligible to compete in the contest and win a prize, each Band Member must be in full compliance with these official rules at all times, from the date each band submits its entry form and becomes an entrant in this contest through the conclusion of the competition, including:

- 1. All Artists must be seventeen (17) years of age or older to enter.
- 2. All Artists must perform and compete on behalf of only one band.
- 3. All Artists must be a regularly performing member of the band prior to contest, Artist's must remain the same; no substitutes
- or additions are allowed during the contest.
- 4. Each band must provide one (1) dedicated point of contact throughout contest period to Wild Rose Management.
- 5. At a minimum, one band member must retain residency within a 75 mile radius of Houston, TX.
- 6. Music genre must be Rock and Roll based (i.e. hard rock, alternative rock, classic rock, etc.)
- 7. Bands are required to provide all marketing and promotional materials for their group, including at a minimum a high resolution band photo and biography.
- 8. No Artist can be an employee of Sonic Rehearsal Studios.
- 9. No Artist can be an excluded player from Sonic Rehearsal Studios.
- 10. All Artist's names and details must be listed on the entry form at the time of registration, anyone not listed will not be eligible.
- 11. In the unfortunate event any member of a band is not eligible or is disqualified, then the entire band is subject to disqualification.
- 12. Bands are encouraged to promote the event amongst their fans as crowd reaction and applause is a factor in judging.

### How to Enter:

- 1. Each band will select one (1) representative who shall have full legal authority to act on behalf of the band.
- 2. This representative will be the sole contact person for the band related to this contest.
- 3. All Artists and Representatives should carefully review the Official Rules of the contest.
- 4. All registration materials, band photo and biography must be completed and submitted prior to the entry deadline.
- 5. The entry deadline is August 1, 2017 at 12 noon.
- 5. The registration material can be found online at coming soon.
- 6. The registration material can be emailed to coming soon
- 5. Only complete entries will be accepted.
- 6. There is a limit of one (1) registration per band, more than one registration packet will result in disqualification.
- 7. Registration materials from bands will be reviewed and the bands invited to play will be notified within two weeks of receiving their application.

## Creative Materials:

- 1. All songs performed by the Artist during the contest, attributed to the artists in any media, or used while the band is participating in the contest (original and/or cover songs) are referred to herein collectively as the "Creative Materials."
- 2. Creative Materials as defined by these official rules will not infringe upon the intellectual property rights, or defame or invade the publicity or privacy rights, of any third party, living or deceased.
- 3. Creative Materials may not contain "sampling" from other songs, music, sound effects, or any other elements in which the Artists do not have the necessary rights to, title and interest, including copyright.
- 4. Creative Materials and band names must be kept in line with Sonic Rehearsal Studios positive image. Sonic Rehearsal Studios has absolute discretion, without limitation, to determine if Creative Materials or artists names contain offensive or defamatory items.
- 5. If any such material is present, the Artist will be disqualified.

### Format of Show:

- 1. The show will take place at Sonic Rehearsal Studios, Houston TX.
- 2. The show will take place in the Main warehouse.
- 3. The show audience is open to all ages.
- 4. Sonic Rehearsal Studios encourages the artist to bring their fans to be members of the audience. One of the judging areas is Crowd Reactions/Applause. Bring your fans!
- 5. Admission the show will be \$3 per person, a ticket is required to gain entry.
- 6. Band members will be limited to members of the band, one (1) tech and one (1) manager or support staff.
- 7. Bands may play original or cover songs, but must be able to perform a minimum of 15 minutes' worth of material, pending the number of entrants, the minimum amount of time could be increased; however it will not exceed 25 minutes.
- 8. The doors of the venue will open at 11am.
- 9. The first band will take the stage at 12pm.
- 10. The band will be randomly assigned a time slot. The bands representative must be present at
- 11:30am at the stage of the Main warehouse to receive their stage time. All entrants will be placed in drum and a time slot will be selected.
- 11. The event will end pending the number of entries however; this time will not exceed 4pm.
- 12. At the conclusion of the event, or 4pm, whichever comes first, tabulation of the scores will commence.

## Judging Process and Tabulation of Scores:

- 1. Bands will be judged on a rubric at the conclusion of their session.
- 2. This is used to ensure fair and equal judging off all bands.
- 3. The judging panel will include three judges, one judge will have a musical background, the other two will be selected by Sonic Rehearsal Studios.
- 4. The four judging areas are as follows on a scale of 1 to 10:
- a. Cohesiveness- Does the band play and interact well together as a unified group?
- b. Stage Presence/Appearance Does the band appear comfortable on stage in front of the audience?
- c. Talent- Are the artists technically successful with their instruments and/or voice?
- d. Crowd Reactions/Applause- Did the band create positive reactions/applause from the audience?
- 5. A member of Wild Rose Casino & Resort will collect the score cards from each judge at the conclusion of the bands set and secure them for tabulation.
- 6. Bands going over the time limit will have ten (10) points deducted from their total score for every one (1) minute they go over the maximum allotted time.
- 7. The band is responsible from the timing of their set, Sonic Rehearsal Studios will not notify the band

that they are over or under in time (note the exception in rule #9). However a representative will keep track for scoring purposes.

- 8. A representative of Sonic Rehearsal Studio has the authority to remove the band from the stage due to any item(s) deemed inappropriate or unprofessional.
- 9. Sonic Rehearsal Studios has the authority to place a hard stop and remove the band from the stage if they go over their allotted maximum time by five (5) or more minutes. If this action happens the band will be disqualified from the contest.
- 10. One hundred twenty (120) maximum points are possible (forty (40) points from each judge).
- 11. In the event of a tie, the judges' score cards will be reviewed. The band with the highest score in the Talent category will be awarded the grand prize winner.
- 12. At the conclusion of the event and tabulation of all scores, a member of Sonic Rehearsal Studios will announce the winner from the stage in the Main Warehouse.

### Prizes and Awards:

- 1. The Prize Structure is as follows:
- 1) First Place \$? Cash
- 2) Second Place \$? Cash
- 3) Third Place \$? Cash
- 2. No places will be awarded after the 3rd place winner.
- 3. All winners must complete a W9 to receive their prize payout.
- 4. Prizes will be distributed to the contact person of the band via a check.

## Equipment and Gear:

- 1. Wild Rose Casino and Resort will provide the following:
- a. Audio production, including a mic package and FOH PA with a maximum of 5 monitor mixes.
- b. Lighting
- c. Power
- d. Drum kit (note: due to time set ups, all bands must use the drum kit provided)
- 2. The band is responsible for providing all other instruments and required amps.
- 3. Bands are required to submit a stage plot and input list on or before the August 1st Noon deadline.
- 4. Bands will be assigned a specific sound check time on the day of the event. If they do not show up during that time they will waive their sound check slot.

## **General Terms and Conditions**

- 1. No purchase is necessary to participate in the contest.
- 2. All participants must be seventeen (17) years of age or older.
- 3. Prizes are non-transferable and non-replaceable.
- 4. Wild Rose Casino & Resorts team members are not eligible to participate.
- 5. All applicable federal and state taxes are the sole responsibility of the winner.
- 6. The interpretation of rules and eligibility are the sole discretion of Wild Rose Casino & Resorts.
- 7. Wild Rose Casino & Resorts reserves the right to modify this promotion at any time, for any reason, subject to all applicable regulatory approval, provided that such modification shall not, as of the date of such modification, materially alter or change any participant's prize previously won.
- 8. A list with the winner's names, rules and any associated documents or electronic files (if applicable) will be retained for 30 days in order to resolve any disputes.
- 9. Participants cannot win more than once.
- 10. Winners must show their valid picture identification.
- 11. A complete list of winners will be posted at the conclusion of event.

- 12. Rules will be posted electronically online at?
- 13. Participants must be present to win.
- 14. No band, band member or any person affiliated with the band shall engage in, or encourage, any solicitation for votes or favorable scores from judges by offering prizes, gifts, products, services or any other type of incentive (monetary or non-monetary). Violation of this rule will result in immediate disqualification of the band.
- 15. Artists agree that their name, photo and any information may be used for media and marketing efforts to include but not limited to; direct mail, radio, TV, social media and websites.