

Curry County Events Center 10th Anniversary Celebration

Battle of the Bands

The Curry County Events Center, in partnership with Snelling Staffing – Clovis, will be hosting its first official Battle of the Bands Competition at the 10th Anniversary Celebration event on October 5, 2019. We are looking to find the best singers/ musicians/ bands who are ready to battle it out at the special anniversary event. The final battle will take place in the Events Center on Saturday, October 5, 2019, at 5:00pm, with \$5,000 in prize money up for grabs! Contestants will be judged on technical performance, originality of songs, professionalism, stage presence, vocals and audience reaction. The following application can be found online at www.currycountyeventscenter.com.

Official Application Form

How to Enter

- Each band must submit a completed application accompanied by a CD demo or web link to your music, and of a photo of your band.
- All application materials must be mailed, hand-delivered, and/or e-mailed, by **September 3, 2019** at 5:00pm to:

Curry County Events Center
1900 E Brady Ave
Clovis, NM 88101

E-mail Address: events@curryeventscenter.com

- No late or incomplete applications will be accepted.
- All performers/bands must indicate one dedicated point of contact/ representative on the application form. Such representative shall have full legal authority to act on behalf of the band and its members, and access to a working email address and phone number.
- All performers/band members should carefully review and familiarize themselves with these rules and regulations.
- The Curry County Events Center will not retain or return any materials submitted.

Eligibility Guidelines

- Only one (1) registration per band, is allowed.
- To be considered a “band”, you need at least one musician to play a musical instrument. You do not need a full band in order to compete.
- If a performer is not 18 years of age or older, a parent and/or legal guardian must accompany the performer throughout the battle period and must sign all forms on behalf of the underage performer.
- All performers/bands can compete on behalf of only one band.
- Performers/band names cannot be changed after the application deadline.
- There is no limit to the number of bands that may apply for this competition. All applications received will be reviewed based upon the selection criteria (*see Selection Criteria*) to determine selected finalists to perform in the Battle of the Bands on October 5, 2019.
- There is no specific genre of music required.
- Bands/performers will be notified via email or phone of their acceptance to participate as a finalist in the 10th Anniversary Celebration Event’s Battle of the Bands contest.
- Selected finalists may be asked to submit additional photos and/or biographical info to be used for advertising purposes. Additionally, other marketing information may be requested (i.e. link to website, YouTube video, etc.)
- In the event a selected finalist cannot participate, an alternate band/performer will be chosen from applicants.
- Eligibility will be at the discretion of the 10th Anniversary Celebration Event’s committee based only upon the above-mentioned criteria.

Selection Criteria

- Complete submissions will be reviewed by the Battle of the Bands Selection Committee on the basis of the following criteria:
 - Uniqueness and appeal of performance
 - Technical Performance
 - Originality of Performance (Song construction, expression, blend of vocals/ music)
 - Professionalism
- Finalists will be selected and notified by phone or email no later than September 8, 2019.
- The 10th Anniversary Celebration Event Committee has the right to reject any application for any reason.

Format of Show/Equipment

- Selected finalists will perform at the 10th Anniversary Celebration Event's Battle of the Bands on October 5, 2019 at 5:00pm at the Curry County Events Center in Clovis, NM.
- Bands/ performers selected to perform will be randomly assigned a time slot based upon their selection from a drawing.
- The show audience is open to all ages and we encourage each band to bring their fans.
- Bands/ performers are limited to members of the band, (1) one band tech and (1) one manager or support staff. If additional support staff are needed, approval must be made by event personnel prior to event.
- Bands/ performers selected to perform at the Battle of the Bands event will have 30 minutes on stage (set up w/ sound check, play set, take down). Each band/performer is expected to prepare a minimum of a 15-minute set list for their time slot and must not exceed 30 minutes on stage. *(Subject to change at the discretion of the 10th Anniversary Celebration Committee).*
- All production decisions and operations will be managed by the Curry County Events Center, along with a professional sound company. Stage, lighting, sound mixing, and microphones for the October 5, 2019 performance will be provided.
- Selected finalists are responsible for any instruments needed for performance, and are responsible for securing their own equipment. The Curry County Events Center, 10th Anniversary Celebration Committee, and volunteer personnel will not be held responsible for any lost or damaged equipment.
- Bands selected to perform at the Battle of the Bands event are required to submit a stage plot, set list (with lyrics), and input list on or before September 27, 2019, and will also be required to attend a sound check prior to event.

Battle of the Bands Performance Judging Process

- Finalists selected to perform at the Battle of the Bands event will be judged at the conclusion of their session.
- Judges will be selected by the 10th Anniversary Celebration Committee
- Judging Criteria:
 - **Quality of Performance:** Evidence of planning and preparedness, how the members of the band interact with each other, overall ability to command the audience and stage, and conformance to competition rules (i.e. time, language, etc.).
 - **Musical Proficiency:** Evidence of technical expertise in voice and/or of an instrument, clarity, lyrical content and overall musical performance, and originality of songs, either covers or originals.
 - **Stage Presence/ Showmanship:** Creativity in song choice and/or delivery (covers and originals), professionalism, band personality suitable to genre, and entertainment value.
 - **Audience Participation:** Ability to engage with the crowd and judges, evidence of the band creating positive reactions, and confidence.
 - **Commercial Viability:** Uniqueness and originality, appealing presence, authenticity of genre selection.
- The 10th Anniversary Celebration Committee has the authority to remove any band from the stage due to any item(s), action or language deemed excessively inappropriate, vulgar, or unprofessional. Clothing must be free from obscenities.

- Any distasteful or vulgar behavior and/or damage to the 10th Anniversary Celebration or Curry County Events Center will result in an automatic disqualification at the sole discretion of event management, committee members and/or judges. This is a family-oriented event. All contestants are to act accordingly.
- In the unfortunate event any member of a band is disqualified, the entire band may be subject to disqualification.
- All participants are expected to be courteous and respectful to one another and follow direction given by Events Center staff and volunteer personnel.
- The 10th Anniversary Celebration Committee has the authority to place a hard stop and remove a band from the stage if they exceed their allotted maximum time of five (5) or more minutes. If more than five minutes is exceeded, band may be subject to disqualification.
- A 10th Anniversary Celebration Committee member will collect score cards from each judge at the conclusion of each band's set and secure them for tabulation.
- In the event of a tie, the judges' score cards will be reviewed. The band with the highest score in the Musical Proficiency category will be awarded the winner.
- At the conclusion of the event and tabulation of all scores, the emcee will announce the winner(s) on stage.

Prizes and Awards

- Prize Structure: First place: \$3,000.00, Second Place: \$1,500.00, Third Place: \$500.00.
- All winners must complete a W-9 form to receive their prize payout.
- Prizes will be distributed to the contact person of the band via check. Payouts will be processed and mailed within 7 business days.

General Terms and Conditions:

- Prizes are non-transferable and non-replaceable.
- All applicable federal and state sales taxes are the sole responsibility of the winner(s).
- The interpretation of the rules and eligibility are the sole discretion of the 10th Anniversary Celebration Committee.
- The event reserves the right to modify this promotion at any time, for any reason, subject to all applicable regulatory approval.
- A list with winning bands/performers name(s) and calculations with scores will be destroyed immediately following announcement of winners.
- Winners must show valid picture identification to verify their identity on entry application.
- No performer or any person affiliated with the band shall engage in any solicitation for votes or favorable scores from judges by offering any type of incentive (monetary or non-monetary). Violation of this rule will result in immediate disqualification.
- Selected finalists are permitted to sell merchandise at the event. For information on reserving a vendor booth, contact the Curry County Events Center at 575-935-7000.
- All band members/performers, agree that their name, photos, and any information may be used for media and marketing efforts to include, but not limited to; direct mail, radio, TV, social media, websites, etc.
- The event(s) will take place rain or shine.

Checklist of Application Materials Due by September 3, 2019

(Please note that no materials will be retained or returned):

- Complete application
- Sample/Demo of music (CD or web link).
- Photo of your band.

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PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY AND COMPLETE ALL INFORMATION

Band/ Performers Name: _____

Primary Contact Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Mailing Address: _____

Email Address: _____ **Website:** _____

Music Submission: **CD** or **Web Link:** _____

Band Members and Instruments Played: (i.e. John Smith, guitar)

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Describe your musical style or genre: _____

Where is your band from? _____

How long has your band been performing together? _____

What venues have you played? _____

Promotional Statement about your band: _____

How did you hear about this contest? _____

Artist Agreement

I, _____ (Name of Representative or Parent/Guardian if Participant is under the age of 18) wish to enter _____ (Band Name) in the Curry County Events Center 10th Anniversary Celebration Battle of the Bands Contest. I agree that our band will abide by all rules and regulations as published in the forms provided and certify that all information provided above is true and accurate. I further grant the Curry County Events Center the right to use my name, voice, image of physical likeness, biographical material, contact information, and any other information, on the Curry County Events Center website and any other multimedia application used in any kind whatsoever.

Print Name: _____ **Date:** _____

Signature: _____

Representative Signature: _____

(Parent or Guardian must sign for minor under the age of 18)

Name of Emergency Contact: _____ **Phone:** _____

For Official Use Only:

Date Submitted: _____ **Received By:** _____