

Cangig Country Singing Competition

CANGIG COUNTRY SINGING COMPETITION FINALS

Country Roads Music Festival, Napanee Fair Grounds, July 8th-11th

\$ 1000.00 (Open Division)

\$ 500.00 (Junior Division)

8-hours of studio time

Perform on a number of major country music events



CONTEST FORMAT

For more information go to:

www.cangig.ca



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Eligibility Requirements

1. Open to singles and duo performers only. Entrants can accompany themselves with tracks, an instrument, solo, or one accompanist but will be judged on vocal ability.
2. A registration fee of \$25.00 (Open Division), \$15.00 (Junior Division) to be paid to the organizers prior to start of qualification rounds in which they will be performing.

ENTRANTS CAN REPRESENT ONE REGION ONLY IN THE FINALS AND MUST PAY THE FULL FIRST TIME REGISTRATION FEE TO COMPETE AT A DIFFERENT VENUE THAN THEIR INITIAL ENTRY.

3. All registrants should become members of Cangig.ca at www.cangig.ca. There is no charge for this service and it will be used to create a public profile of our competitors.
4. OPEN DIVISION AND JUNIOR DIVISION: A maximum of 10 contestants from each division will be selected to advance to the finals in their respective areas. Additional wild card entries may be added to the venue finals at the discretion of the competition organizers.
5. Entrants who do not qualify at any given qualifying round can re-enter at another venue or region at the full entry fee, and only if space permits.
6. Entrants shall not have released a recording that has received commercial airplay for the purpose of selling records (excluding Cangig Country Showcase CD)
7. All contestants must be registered & signed in 1 HOUR prior to competition start. Times are posted for each venue.
8. No contestant is an owner, controlling stockholder, or employee (within the last 12 months), of a sponsoring business or presenting groups.
9. Performers of any age may enter the Open Division of the contest. However, you may only compete in one division in any given year.
10. Each entrant will perform 1-song. One bonus point per original song will be awarded and all songs must be of the country genre. **NOTE: Original song must be written or co-written by the contestant.**
11. **All entrants must provide CD of background music** (if required) although a limited catalogue of song selections may be available from venue, and provided as backtracks for free the night of each competing round.
IT IS THE COMPETITORS RESPONSIBILITY TO PICK UP CD'S FOLLOWING EACH PERFORMANCE!
12. Entrants may be of any nationality.
13. All music must be performed live, vocally; NO props, special effects, or special lighting may be used during the performance.
14. Junior contestants must show I.D. clearly stating they are 18 or younger as of June 30th, 2010.
15. Only 1 winner from each division place winners at each region will advance to The Cangig Country Singing Finals to be held July 10, 2010 at the Country Roads Music Festival in Napanee Ontario. 2nd place competitors may be selected to fill the line-up at the organizers discretion

Exceptional conditions will be reviewed by event organizers whose decision will be final.

Contest format will consist of specified dates for qualifying rounds from which a number of competitors will be scheduled for a call-back date. A maximum of 10 competitors will be chosen from the call-back screenings to compete in the venue finals. *An alternate date will be scheduled in the event any cancellations due to unforeseen circumstances.*

Open Division

1. Qualifying: Judges will select a number of competitors from qualifying rounds in each region to return for a call-back screening on a specified date.
2. Call-backs: 10 contestants from each division shall be selected from the call-back screening to move on to the finals.
3. Finals: Ten finalists will perform in the finals competition at each venue from which judges will select a winner and a runner-up. These winners will be awarded prizes accordingly. Other prizes may be awarded to additional participants at the discretion of the venue and sponsoring companies.
4. Note: Judges may add wild card entries from contestants who have competed this year. That person would join the other 10 finalists to compete in the Cangig Finals at the Country Roads Music Festival.

Junior Division

1. Qualifying: Judges will select a number of competitors from qualifying rounds in each region to return for a call-back screening on a specified date.
2. Call-backs: Contestants from each division shall be selected from the call-back screening to move on to the finals venue finals.
3. Finals: Ten finalists will perform in the finals competition at each venue from which judges will select a winner and a runner-up (1st and 2nd). These winners will be awarded prizes accordingly. Other prizes may be awarded to additional participants at the discretion of the venue and sponsoring companies.
4. Note: Judges may add wild card entries from contestants who have competed this year. That person would join the other 10 finalists to compete in the Cangig Finals at the Country Roads Music Festival.

Judging Criteria

- Vocal Ability (20 points):* How well do they reach their notes (pitch)/pleasant to listen to, and vocal presentation (dynamics).
- Stage Presence (10 points):* How well do they captivate their audience (rapport)? Appropriate dress/appearance.
- Talent (10 points):* Does the act have natural ability/skills?
- Original Songs:* 1 Bonus point will be awarded for original songs.

COMPETITION ORGANIZERS RESERVE THE RIGHT TO REPLACE ANY NO SHOWS AT THE FINALS WITH ANOTHER CONTESTANT WHO AS COMPETED THIS YEAR.



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