



**MAYBERRY'S**  
RESTAURANT

**RIVERFEST**  
ST. ALBANS, WEST VIRGINIA



## ***St. Albans Riverfest Idol Official Rules 2010***

### **1. Registration**

- a. Prior to auditioning, every participant must sign-up using the official Riverfest Idol Entry Form
- b. All parents or guardians MUST sign the Riverfest Idol Contract at the SEMI-FINAL AUDITIONS in person. The minor participant must also sign the contract at that time. If you are 18 years old or older, you do not need a parent or guardian signature.
- c. A registration/entry fee of \$5.00 will be charged to each participant. This fee will be paid in person the day of the tryouts held on 6/19/10 at St. Albans Mayberry's. Refunds will not be given for any reason. This includes failure to follow any of the rules outlined below. Once a fee is paid it becomes property of St. Albans Riverfest.

### **2. Eligibility**

- a. Everyone is eligible to participate in the Riverfest Idol competition.
- b. You may not audition if you are an immediate family member of the St. Albans Riverfest organization, herein known as Riverfest.
- c. The competition is for amateur participants only. Professional entertainers are prohibited.

### **3. The Competition**

- a. All eligible participants will audition at Mayberry's, in St. Albans on June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010 9:00am to 2:00pm
- b. Participants may choose their own songs to sing in first round auditions.
- c. Participants may also choose their songs for the semifinals and final rounds of competition.
- d. Auditions will be heard by judges. It is the intent of the competition to have three judges hear all auditions. Auditions may be heard in front of only two judges at the discretion of the Riverfest Idol Director.
- e. Each participant is allowed up to 60 seconds to sing any song A CAPELLA at first round auditions. No instruments will be allowed during the first round competition. During the semifinals and finals, participants will be allowed to have background music played using a CD or play an instrument. That instrument and all hook ups must be provided for, moved by and played by the participant. Only one person will be allowed on the stage, that is the participant, no background singers, band members etc., will be allowed. Riverfest reserves the right to refuse any and all instruments that do not allow sufficient time for other contestants to perform or if the instrument creates issues with staging of our other acts. Participants must provide the music on a CD to the Riverfest Idol Director before they are allowed to enter the stage. The semifinals and finals will take place at Roadside Park on the Main stage. Thursday night will be the semifinals and finals will be on Saturday night. The music will be reviewed for content, and lyric issues. Riverfest reserves the right to deny any performance of songs it deems inappropriate and does not meet the competition criteria.
- f. A minimum of two of the judges must verbally say "yes" in order to advance a contestant to the next round. If only two judges are present, at least one of the two must say "yes" to advance a contestant. Eliminations will not be made until the final night of auditions, should the auditions take more than one day to complete, and will be posted on the Riverfest website the following day.

- g. During the semi final round on Thursday June 24, 2010 and final round on Saturday night June 26, 2010, the winner(s) will be picked using the vote system of \$1.00 per vote contributed by the audience. Voters can vote as much or as little as they wish with no limit on how much any one person or group can vote. The winner will be announced that night once the votes/money is counted and verified.
- h. In addition to the title of Riverfest Idol, the winner will receive a cash prize award sponsored by Tim Horton's of 500.00 and the runner up will receive a cash prize of 250.00, also sponsored by Tim Horton's.

#### **4. Required Participation**

- a. At the end of the elimination rounds, 10 contestants will advance to the final round held on Saturday night, June 26, 2010. To participate in the finals and remain eligible for Riverfest Idol prizes, each participant must agree to perform 2 songs after the winner is announced during the Riverfest Saturday night, June 26, 2010.
- b. The finalist will also be asked to perform at various Riverfest functions throughout the year including a performance at next year's Riverfest. With the exception of next year's event, Riverfest agrees to give 30 days notice of any and all appearances.
- c. Unexcused absences will result in immediate loss of the title and the runner up will be awarded the title only of Riverfest Idol.

#### **6. Standards of Conduct**

- a. Each participant must adhere to a standard of conduct that includes respect for other contestants, volunteers, judges, parents and St. Albans Riverfest staff. Any use of inappropriate language and/or behavior meant to incite or negatively influence other participants may lead to disqualification at any time during the competition.
- b. Each participant must refrain from use of illegal narcotics or alcohol during or immediately prior to the competition.
- c. No weapons shall be allowed into or around an audition or facility.
- d. The use of the Riverfest Idol name and/or logo or any participant's representation as a Riverfest Idol participant is subject to St. Albans Riverfest Board approval BEFORE use.
- e. Online social media pages, such as Myspace or Facebook, that reference the competition or participant(s), must be free from disrespectful or otherwise inappropriate content (this includes comments). If you have a Myspace or Facebook page, Friendster account, Tribe.net account, or any other website, it must be set to "private" (if applicable) and contain no foul language, sexual content, personal information, inappropriate photographs, or anything else which could be deemed unacceptable by the advisory board of Riverfest Idol, the management staff of Riverfest and/or Riverfest Idol. It is each participant's responsibility to monitor comments and delete those that are questionable.
- f. Dress Code
  - Skirts, dresses, and shorts must be no shorter than 4 inches above the knee, unless you are wearing leggings
  - No thin or spaghetti-shouldered tank tops or dresses
  - No clothing associated with gangs may be worn
  - No undergarments may be visible
  - No midriff may be showing
  - No strapless shirts, dresses, or jumpers may be worn
  - No shirts promoting violence, drugs, alcohol or tobacco products may be worn

#### **7. Waiver of Liability to Recording**

All participants present at an audition, and the presence of friends and family as well as any other person accompanying participant, constitutes full consent and agreement to the recording and use of all performances, appearances, name, voice, singing voice, likeness and any musical or sound effect produced by them for use in connection with any television program, motion picture, wireless/mobile device, or the Internet for all purposes as the same may be edited, in all media now known or hereafter created, throughout the universe, in perpetuity for no compensation, unless otherwise required by law. Participant's attendance at the audition event will be conclusively deemed to be a waiver of any and all claims for invasion of privacy, defamation, etc.

**8. Alterations to These Rules**

Riverfest management may change or alter these rules at anytime in the best interest of the competition and its participants.

**9. Full Disclosure**

Full disclosure: Riverfest Idol is not a tryout for American Idol, so you will be vying for local Idol glory, the Riverfest Idol title and yearlong bragging rights only. Idol contestants receive comments from our judges and are voted on by attendees through \$1 votes. So bring your friends! There is no limit on how much any one person or group can vote.

**AGREEMENT TO TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF RIVERFEST IDOL**

I hereby agree to the terms set forth in the agreement above and also below.

I hereby agree that Riverfest, The City of St. Albans, Sponsors, Directors, Idol workers, Judges, are not responsible for any accident, illness, injury, or stolen/loss of items that may occur before, during, or after the competition. I understand that I enter this competition at my own will and assume full responsibility for my own property and person(s). I also agree that the judge’s decisions are final and bad conduct will not be tolerated and will result in disqualification with awards taken away. No refunds will be provided. I give my permission for photos/video taken during and after the competition can be used in promotion on websites, paperwork, ads by Riverfest, and directors. By signing and submitting this application, I surrender all rights to file suit or claims against Riverfest, the City of St. Albans, Directors, Sponsors, Idol workers, and judges.

**Idol Participant**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: Home: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthdate: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

*If under 18 parent or guardians name and signature must also be supplied.*

Parent or Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_





# St. Albans Riverfest Idol Entry Form

Performer(s) Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number(s) where performers can be reached \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Male or Female

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Title & Artist of song to be performed \_\_\_\_\_

(ONLY ONE PER PERFORMANCE)

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(The Riverfest Idol Committee has final approval of all song selections!)

Give us some background: where do you work, married, kids, hobbies, interesting fact about you, etc., so our emcee can fully introduce you.

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Preliminary Contestant Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Through to Semi Finals YES or NO

Semi Contestant Number \_\_\_\_\_