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FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS & CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Regarding Junior Curtain Call at Kingston Arts Centre

What is Curtain Call?

Curtain Call is an open stage competition for emerging musicians.

How many acts participate in each event?

14 Maximum. We must have a minimum of 7 registered acts to run each event.

Does my registration fee cover me and my whole band?

YES. Your registration fee covers the fee for your act irrespective of how many people in your band/group. **The Tech Info Form and Agreement accompanying these Conditions MUST be signed and returned a minimum of one week before the event to complete the registration process.**

What can I perform?

You can sing or play an instrument and perform as a solo artist or with a band/group. The music can be a cover or an original piece of music. You can perform any genre from any era you want i.e. pop, rock, jazz, cabaret, musical theatre, heavy metal etc.

Do I have to sing?

NO. Although our contestants are primarily singers we do accept instrumentalists.

How many pieces am I allowed to perform?

TWO. Or one longer piece if you prefer. (Maximum stage time - 10 mins.)

Do I perform both pieces one after the other?

YES.

What length of music does each piece have to be?

There is no definitive time limit but between 2–5 mins per piece will be accepted. (Maximum stage time - 10 mins.)

Can I use a CD, Mini Disc or Tape for my backing music?

YES. CD or Mini Disc is preferred (tape is also possible but the quality usually sounds poor in comparison).

Can I use a Karaoke CD for my backing music?

YES. Provided the track does not have any lead vocals on it. If the track has lead vocals you will still be allowed to perform but you will not be eligible to win.

Can I chose which number performer I am on the day?

NO. The Theatre Technician and FOH Manager choose the order in relation to performer's set up requirements.

What if I want to cancel my registration or can't make it on the night?

Please notify the Programming Coordinator on 9556 4458. **Please note that registration fees are non-refundable nor non-transferable.**

Who will be doing the judging on the day?

The adjudicator varies from time to time but all adjudicators are professional artists in the industry. They might be singers, musicians, singing teachers, music teachers, record producers etc. **The adjudicator's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.**

Do I get to do a sound check before I go on?

NO. This is treated like a competition but you will be able to make sure all your equipment is plugged in and working before you start.

Will anyone be sound mixing while I perform?

YES. Kingston Arts Centre provides a professional technician who operates all sound, lights & the mixing desks on the day.

What equipment do I need to bring?

Your musical instruments, leads & amps. We have fold back speakers, DI boxes, microphones, microphone stands and a grand piano available for use. You also have the option to play acoustically or be miked from the front without DI input.

Is there access to a lift to bring up all my equipment?

YES. Speak to the Front of House Manager when you arrive and they will give you access.

Is there a loading bay for unloading my equipment?

YES. Just outside the lift there is a loading bay so please use that and then move your vehicle for others to access the lift too.

Can I leave my gear in the Theatre after the event and pick it up another day?

NO. You must take your gear away with you at the end of the day.

What time does the competition start?

The competition starts at 2.00pm.

What time does the door open?

The theatre will open 30 minutes before the show to let audience members in. The bar will be open from 1.00pm.

What time do I have to turn up?

You **MUST** arrive to confirm your registration between 1.00pm - 1.30pm. **ALL ACTS MUST BE PAID FOR AND PRE-REGISTERED PRIOR TO THE DAY.** If you arrive after 1.30pm you will not be allowed to perform.

How many people does the theatre hold?

The theatre holds a maximum of 88 people in the audience. The Theatre is set up in cabaret style, 10 tables with 6 seats and 2 rows of 14 seats.

Are audience tickets general admissions or reserved seating?

Seating is allocated. To book please contact the Kingston Arts Centre Box Office on 9556 4440.

Can I bring my own food on the day?

NO. If you book a table you can pre-order platters of food from the Kingston Arts Centre on 9556 4440 prior to the day. Please contact the Box Office on the same phone number for a menu. You cannot purchase platters on the day.

Can I bring my own drinks on the day?

NO. All drinks (alcoholic or otherwise) must be purchased from our bar.

Is there a room where I can warm up?

YES. We have a dressing room that is available for performers to share.

Can I watch the other performers while they are performing?

YES. Provided you do not enter or leave the theatre during a set.

Do I have to pay to watch the other performers?

NO. You will receive a complimentary audience ticket along with your registration ticket that covers you for watching the other acts.

Can I register for multiple events?

YES. You can enter as many of the events as you like. (You are only eligible to win once though.)

Can there be more than one winner from each event?

NO. Only one winner can be selected from each event.

What happens if I win an event?

You win a cash prize of \$50 and entrance into the Junior Showcase Concert at the end of the year.

What happens at the Showcase Concert?

Each winner performs 20 minutes worth of music (2 x 10 min sets).

GENERAL OVERVIEW

Junior Curtain Call

- § Open to performers 8-14 years old
- § Open to singers and musicians
- § Maximum 14 acts per day
- § Two songs performed back to back
- § Maximum 10 minutes stage time per act
- § Industry professionals are invited to adjudicate
- § Adjudicators decision is final and no correspondence is entered into
- § \$50 cash prize awarded based on total stagecraft ability & entrance into Showcase Concert
- § Registration \$10.00/Act (**MUST PAY AND REGISTER PRIOR TO THE EVENT**. No pay no registration. We do not reserve spots.)
- § Audience Tickets \$6.00
- § Arrive between 1.00pm – 1.30pm on the day to confirm your place.
- § Competition starts at 2.00pm sharp
- § Each Showcase Concert winner performs for 20 minutes (2 x 10 minute) spots
- § Each Showcase Concert performer will receive two complimentary tickets to use for special guests