

CHRISTMAS Singing Contest 2017

Organized by The A Cappella Society Ltd

Rules & Regulations

HOW TO USE THIS DOCUMENT

- Please read through the details carefully before applying.
- Please read through all the points to understand the expectations and necessary actions to be taken.

INTRODUCTION

- The contest is organised by The A Cappella Society in conjunction with Sounds Of Christmas @Bras Basah Complex.
- The mission of the contest is to encourage positive and friendly competition amongst participants and to provide the community an opportunity to showcase their talent in a public event.
- TAS aims to provide an encouraging environment through positive reinforcement and non-political support for all singers and teams.

COMPETITION DETAILS

- 16 December 2017 - 11am-5pm
- 11am First round, 4pm Second round
- Bras Basah Complex

COMPETITION CATEGORIES

Solo (1 singer)

- Children: Ages 5-12
- Youth: Ages 13-18
- Open: Ages 19 and above

Groups (2 or more singers)

- Youth: Ages below 18 years
- Open: Ages above 18 years

MODUS OF COMPETITION

- The competition is judged on a points basis where the highest scorer is the winner of the category.
- In the first round, every participant is required to sing 1 song of their choice, the top 2 of each category will proceed to the next round.
- In the second round, participants are required to sing 2 songs of their choice one of which has to be a Christmas song.
- The judges' decision is final and cannot be contested.

TECHNICAL EQUIPMENT

- Any form of accompaniment is allowed
- The organisers will provide a sound system with up to 4 microphones
- All Minus Ones need to be provided by the participants on a device with Audio or USB connection
- All instruments, amplifiers and cables need to be provided by the participants

ELIGIBILITY

- The contest is open to all Singapore residents, permanent residents as well as non residents

residing in Singapore.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

- Complete the Application Form at www.a-cappella.org.sg
- All applications are valid only upon receipt of the registration fee of SGD\$10
- Cheque payments to: THE A CAPPELLA SOCIETY LTD, 51 Waterloo St #02-04, Singapore 187969
- Bank transfer to OCBC account 621860642001
- You may also send your applications via email to contact@a-cappella.org.sg
- No registration fees will be collected on competition days.
- APPLICATION DEADLINE : 9 December 2017

YOUR COMMITMENT WHEN APPLYING

- By applying, you agree to compete gracefully and abide by all competition rules and regulations.

THE MUSIC

- Do practice discretion when selecting your repertoire. Any style is acceptable as long as one remembers that originality, innovation, versatility and good programme flow are points the judges will be looking out for.
- Also keep in mind that there will be families and children at the show.
- Songs with offensive lyrics will not be accepted.

JUDGES

- There will be a panel of 3 judges, made up of knowledgeable musicians, singers or personalities who have more than a proficient singing background.
- As volunteers, these judges give off their free time to share their expertise and knowledge with all participants out of goodwill. They should be treated with due respect and ultimately all decisions made by these judges are final. No disputes shall be entertained.
- Judges will be available for constructive comments directly after the competition. No written comments will be handed out.

JUDGING CRITERIA

<u>Area</u>	<u>Details</u>	<u>Points</u>
Singing Skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tonal Quality Control• Breath Control• Dynamic Control• Emoting of Song• Clarity of pronunciation• Pitch• Phrasing of the song	30%
Musicianship	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Keeping in Tempo• Singing on the right accents• Hand and body coordination	20%
Choice of Song	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suitability of song	10%
Presentation / Stage Presence	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Confidence• Symmetry to song• Use of non-verbal communication skills• Microphone Technique• Connection with Audience	30%

Costume	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Suitability and creativity of costume	10%
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TECHNICAL MATTERS

- The organiser will provide a professional sound system and an experienced sound engineer.
- A sound check will be done before your performance.
- Allotment of soundcheck times will be based on competition line up. No time changes will be entertained.

PRIZES

- The winners will receive prizes (cash vouchers).
- All participants will receive a certificate.

WITHDRAWING

- No refund will be given for withdrawing after registration or failing to attend the contest.

DISCLAIMER

- TAS reserves the right to amend the rules and regulations and / or the details of the competition at any time.