

**THE SMOKY MOUNTAINS SONGWRITERS FESTIVAL SONGWRITERS CONTEST
ENTRY FORM**

Entrant's Name: _____

Song Title: _____

Song Category: Bluegrass ____ Country ____ Gospel/Inspriational ____
Lyrics Only ____ Pop/Rock/Folk ____

Entrant acknowledges and agrees to perform in the TOP 20 Song Performance Contest and Awards night in Gatlinburg, TN should the entry win the first round THE TOP 20 in its respective Category. All Winners from the Category Top 20 Song Performance Nights will be automatically placed in the Finale. All potential winners agree upon entry into the contest that they will perform in the Finale Performance and Awards Night in Gatlinburg, Tennessee during The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival Aug. 23-25, 2012.

There is no performance night for Lyrics Only. The winners in the Lyrics Only Category will be announced at the Finale during the 2012 Smoky Mountain Songwriters Festival.

On-line entry form and signature on entry form constitutes that each song submitted is the Entrant's original work and releases the SMSWF Songwriters Contest, Sponsors, Special Events Office of the City of Gatlinburg and The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival Inc. from any and all liability. Entry also constitutes permission to use winner's name and likeness for future advertising and publicity without compensation.

Entrant by on-line entry form and signature on entry form gives The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival permission to the use of said recorded song entry in promotion of The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival in the future without compensation.

All recording rights and photos are reserved and shall become the property of The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival, Inc.

Date

Entrant's Signature

Contact Information: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Mail a copy of the signed entry form, entry fee(s) and CD to The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival, P.O. Box 753, Gatlinburg, TN 37738 or e-mail a copy of the signed entry form and MP3 to smswf@hotmail.com. CDs are not returned. Checks or MO make payable to: The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival. \$30 first song entry, \$10 each additional entry, and \$5 song already entered in a category entry into Lyrics Only. All Entries must be postmarked or e-mailed no later than June 15, 2012.

ADDITIONAL ENTRIES:

\$30 for first song entry, \$10 each additional song, \$5 already entered song into Lyrics Only

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SONGWRITERS CONTEST**

Rules and Regulations

Each song submitted must have both instrumentation and lyrics. NO INSTRUMENTAL ONLY SONGS.

If, 51% or more of Entrant's Primary Source of Income is NOT derived from songwriting or publishing, then the song may be entered into The SMSWF Songwriters Contest.

Income from performing gigs is not considered songwriting income. Songwriters may play their music on tour or sale their own CD/Albums. The Primary Source of Income requirement is income a person has been paid for written lyrics.

If entrant is under 18 years old, the signature of a parent or guardian is required.

All entries must be the original work of contestant and shall not infringe on any copyright or any other rights of any third party. Entrant may not enter any song that is owned, wholly or partly, by a publishing company.

Song is not to be longer than 5 minutes in length. If song exceeds the 5 minute limit, it will be disqualified. It is the Entrant's responsibility to submit only songs less than 5 minutes. Remember entry fees are non-refundable.

All entrants will be asked to sign an official Acknowledgement of Eligibility.

It is entrant's responsibility to ensure that the submitted song(s) are complete and playable. SMSWF is not responsible for late, lost, damaged, misdirected, postage due, stolen, incomplete, or misappropriated entries.

All decisions of the judges and audience are final.

All prizes will be awarded to the first name as it appears on the entry form. Song can be the product of more than one singer/songwriter/musician, however, the fair division of awards and prizes will be the responsibility of the Entrant as the name appears on the entry form.

The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival will post all results on its website and will notify entrants by e-mail that results are posted. Entrant is responsible for providing up-to-date and correct email addresses to SMSWF. SMSWF is not responsible for entrant's non-receipt of any SMSWF emails for any reason, including but not limited to, server or email malfunctions.

Winners will be required to sign an affidavit confirming that winner's song is original and he/she holds rights to the song. Failure to sign and return the form within the required time period or provision of false information may result in disqualification and an alternate winner may be selected. Affidavits are subject to verification by the Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival and its agents. Entry constitutes permission to use winner's name, likeness, and voice for future advertising and publicity purposes without additional compensation.

Entrant retains all ownership rights to all submitted song(s). The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival will not have any ownership rights to any song(s) submitted.

SMSWF reserves the right to extend the deadline. Should the deadline be extended the entry fee will become \$35 per song no additional song discounts.

Any questions should be addressed to: The Smoky Mountains Songwriters Festival
smswf@hotmail.com or 865-604-9066