

OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES

1. THE SINGING NEWS/SOLID GOSPEL SONGWRITER SEARCH ("CONTEST") IS OPEN TO ANY INDIVIDUAL EIGHTEEN (18) YEARS OR OLDER WHO REGISTERS BY COMPLETING AN OFFICIAL ONLINE ENTRY FORM AT SOLIDGOSPEL.COM OR SINGINGNEWS.COM. INDIVIDUALS MAY ENTER AS MANY TIMES AS THEY WANT, AS LONG AS A SEPARATE ENTRY FORM IS USED FOR EACH SONG ENTERED. EMPLOYEES, OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS, REPRESENTATIVES, AND IMMEDIATE FAMILY AND HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS OF CCM COMMUNICATIONS, INC. D/B/A THE SINGING NEWS AND REACH SATELLITE NETWORK, INC D/B/A SOLID GOSPEL ("PROMOTERS"), THEIR PARENT COMPANY, THEIR PARENTS' AFFILIATED COMPANIES, AND THEIR ADVERTISING AND PROMOTION AGENCIES ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CONTEST.
2. THERE WILL BE TWO (2) GRAND PRIZE WINNERS. THE WINNERS WILL BE SELECTED FROM AMONG ALL ELIGIBLE ENTRIES RECEIVED. ONE WILL BE SELECTED BY JEFF AND SHERI EASTER AND A PANEL OF JUDGES SELECTED BY PROMOTERS AND THE OTHER WILL BE SELECTED BY TRIUMPHANT QUARTET AND A PANEL OF JUDGES SELECTED BY THE PROMOTERS. ENTRIES RECEIVED BY MARCH 15TH 2010 WILL RECEIVE A DISCOUNTED ENTRY FEE RATE, AS DETAILED ON THE CONTEST ENTRY FORM, AND A FREE SINGING NEWS HITS AND HYMNS CD ("INCENTIVES"). ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED THROUGH APRIL 30, 2010 BUT THOSE RECEIVED AFTER MARCH 15TH, 2010 WILL NOT RECEIVE INCENTIVES. ENTRANTS NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN. THE WINNER WILL BE NOTIFIED BY E-MAIL OR REGULAR MAIL NO LATER THAN JUNE 2, 2010. THE WINNER MUST COMPLETE AN AFFIDAVIT OF ELIGIBILITY AND LIABILITY AND, WHERE LAWFUL, A PUBLICITY RELEASE. IF PROMOTERS DO NOT RECEIVE THE AFFIDAVIT AND RELEASE WITHIN TWO (2) WEEKS OF NOTIFICATION, THE PRIZE MAY BE FORFEITED AND AN ALTERNATE WINNER MAY BE SELECTED. EXCEPT WHERE PROHIBITED BY LAW, BY SIGNING THE AFFIDAVIT AND RELEASE, THE WINNER GRANTS PERMISSION TO THE USE OF HIS/HER/ITS NAME, LIKENESS, PICTURE, PORTRAIT, HOMETOWN, SERVICE MARK, VOICE, BIOGRAPHICAL/OTHER INFORMATION, AND STATEMENTS FOR ADVERTISING AND PROMOTIONAL PURPOSES FOR THIS AND OTHER PROMOTIONS BY SINGING NEWS WITHOUT ADDITIONAL COMPENSATION. ODDS OF WINNING DEPEND ON THE TOTAL NUMBER OF ENTRIES RECEIVED. PROMOTERS ARE NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR LOST, LATE, DAMAGED OR MISHANDLED ENTRIES.
3. THERE ARE TWO (2) GRAND PRIZE WINNERS:
 - A GRAND PRIZE WINNER, CHOSEN BY JEFF AND SHERI EASTER AND JUDGES , WILL HAVE THEIR SONG RECORDED BY JEFF AND SHERI EASTER, ON THEIR NEXT CD. ANOTHER GRAND PRIZE

WINNER, CHOSEN BY THE TRIUMPHANT QUARTET AND JUDGES WILL HAVE THEIR SONG RECORDED BY TRIUMPHANT QUARTET, ON THEIR NEXT CD.

- THE TWO GRAND PRIZE WINNERS WILL BE FEATURED IN A SINGING NEWS MAGAZINE STORY TO BE RELEASED AT A TO-BE-DETERMINED 2010 DATE.

ADDITIONALLY, THE GRAND PRIZE WINNERS WILL RECEIVE:

- STORY, PICTURE AND SONG POSTED ON SINGINGNEWS.COM
- MENTORING SESSION WITH PARTICIPATING JUDGES AND OTHER TOP SOUTHERN GOSPEL SONGWRITERS.
- PAID ENTRANCE AND PARTICIPATION IN THE NATIONAL QUARTET CONVENTION ("NQC") 2010 SONGWRITERS SHOWCASE
- TWO TICKETS TO A SATURDAY EVENING NQC PROGRAM.
- ONE YEAR PAID SUBSCRIPTION TO ALL SALEM PUBLISHING PUBLICATIONS, INCLUDING SINGING NEWS MAGAZINE, HOMECOMING MAGAZINE AND OTHERS.
- PERSONAL INTRODUCTIONS TO KEY RECORD LABELS, PUBLISHERS AND ARTISTS DURING NATIONAL QUARTET CONVENTION WEEK.

THE GRAND PRIZES DO NOT INCLUDE WINNERS' TRAVEL, LODGING, MEALS AND ANY OTHER PERSONAL EXPENSES RELATED TO PARTICIPATING IN ANY ELEMENTS OF THE GRAND PRIZES, SUCH AS TRAVEL TO NQC AND MENTORING SESSIONS.

THERE WILL BE FIVE (5) RUNNERS UP PRIZES. EACH RUNNERS UP PRIZE INCLUDES:

- SONG DEMO TO BE RECORDED BY NASHVILLE MUSICIANS AND SINGERS.
- A COPY OF PERFORMANCE TRACKS.
- STORY IN SINGING NEWS MAGAZINE WILL SPOTLIGHT THE FIVE RUNNERS UP.
- MENTORING SESSION WITH PARTICIPATING JUDGES AND OTHER TOP SOUTHERN GOSPEL SONGWRITERS.
- PAID ENTRANCE TO THE 2010 NQC SONGWRITER'S SHOWCASE.
- TWO TICKETS TO A SATURDAY EVENING NQC PROGRAM .

THE RUNNERS UP PRIZES DO NOT INCLUDE WINNERS' TRAVEL, LODGING, MEALS AND ANY OTHER PERSONAL EXPENSES RELATED TO PARTICIPATING IN ANY ELEMENTS OF THE PRIZES, SUCH AS TRAVEL TO NQC AND MENTORING SESSIONS.

4. (BY PARTICIPATING IN THE CONTEST, EACH ENTRANT AGREES TO ABIDE BY AND BE BOUND BY ALL OF THESE OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES AND THE DECISIONS OF GENERAL MANAGER of the PROMOTERS ("CONTEST JUDGE"). ALL DECISIONS REGARDING THE CONTEST INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, SELECTING THE WINNER, WILL BE MADE BY THE "CONTEST JUDGE", WHOSE DECISIONS SHALL BE FINAL. THE CONTEST JUDGE MAY PROHIBIT AN ENTRANT FROM PARTICIPATING IN THIS CONTEST, IN HIS/HER SOLE DISCRETION, IF, IN THE OPINION OF THE CONTEST JUDGE, THE ENTRANT FAILS TO ABIDE BY THESE RULES, OR OTHERWISE ACTS (I) IN A NON-PROFESSIONAL OR INAPPROPRIATE MANNER, (II) WITH AN INTENT TO ANNOY, ABUSE, THREATEN, OR HARASS ANY OHER

ENTRANT, JUDGE, OR PROMOTERS, OR (III) IN ANY OTHER DISRUPTIVE MANNER. THE WINNER IS SOLELY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL APPLICABLE FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL TAXES. ALL FEDERAL, STATE, AND LOCAL LAWS APPLY.

5. BY PARTICIPATING IN THE CONTEST, EACH ENTRANT AGREES TO RELEASE AND HOLD THE PROMOTERS, THEIR PARENT COMPANIES AND THEIR PARENTS' AFFILIATED COMPANIES HARMLESS FROM ANY AND ALL LOSSES, DAMAGES, RIGHTS, CLAIMS, AND ACTIONS OF ANY KIND IN CONNECTION WITH THE CONTEST OR RESULTING FROM ACCEPTANCE, POSSESSION, OR USE OF ANY PRIZE, INCLUDING, WITHOUT LIMITATION, PERSONAL INJURIES, DEATH, AND PROPERTY DAMAGE, AND CLAIMS BASED ON ANY LIBEL, SLANDER, ILLEGAL COMPETITION OR TRADE PRACTICE, VIOLATION OF RIGHTS OF PRIVACY, INFRINGEMENT OR COPYRIGHTS, OR OTHER RIGHTS OF THIRD PARTIES.

To find out the winners of the Contest, look for the winner's name posted at www.singingnews.com, once the name has become available upon the conclusion of the Contest.