

Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival Fiddle Contest

Downtown Mount Vernon, Ohio – on the Square
Saturday, August 14th, 2010 – 11:00 AM Sharp

Rules and Information:

1. There will be four (4) age categories: 11 & under, 12-19, Open Class, and 55 & over.
2. The 11 & under contestants will be required to play any 2 old time tunes of their choice. The other three categories will be required to play a hoedown, a waltz and a tune of choice in that order. (A hoedown is a 2/4 or 4/4 meter traditional danceable old time tune). The tune of choice may be a rag, polka, jig, or hornpipe using hornpipe rhythm, (as long as your tune of choice is not another hoedown). The show tunes: Orange Blossom Special, Black Mountain Rag and Listen to the Mockingbird are not allowed.
3. The Open Class is still for ages 20 – 54 however is open to any age player 12 & over who would like a higher competition level. **IMPORTANT:** they may only enter ONE class. (Example: if you are 15 yrs old and enter the open class, you may NOT play in the 12-19 class also). All classes are for CONTEST READY players!
4. 11 & under contestants will have 5 minutes total, to play their 2 tunes. the other age categories will have 6 minutes to finish their tunes. Points will be docked for going over time.
5. Contestants must play on standard tuned acoustic instruments.
6. Contestants may have one acoustic accompanists. The accompanist may NOT play the melody.
7. Registration will open at 9:45 am. Numbers for play order will be drawn at 10:45. PLEASE watch your time and be ready for the drawing. Late comers who miss the drawing will play FIRST. There may be NO switching of numbers. In case of a tie, contestants will be asked to play one (1) tune of their choice with a time limit of 2 ½ minutes.
8. If you break a string, you will play again, last, being announced with your original number.
9. There will be three (3) judges. They will not see the contestants.
10. The judges' decision is final.
11. There will be no selling of CD's or other materials without written permission from the Dan Emmett Festival Director.

Prizes & Age Categories

11 & under	12 - 19	Open Class	55 & over
1 st prize \$65	1 st prize \$100	1 st prize \$150	1 st prize \$100
2 nd prize \$50	2 nd prize \$75	2 nd prize \$125	2 nd prize \$75
3 rd prize \$40	3 rd prize \$50	3 rd prize \$100	3 rd prize \$55
4 th prize \$25	4 th prize \$35	4 th prize \$75	

NAME _____ Age Category _____
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