

# The Albany Club

## Battle of the Bands

### Rules and Regulations

GREAT PRIZES TO BE WON

£1000 voucher with a well known music store for the purchase of musical equipment.

£500 voucher towards the costs of a day in a recording studio

a guaranteed paid gig in the Albany Club during 2010/2011

To take part in the Battle of the Band competition at the Albany Club this form must be fully completed and handed in with a demo CD or MySpace details no later than 1<sup>st</sup> April 2010. Completed forms can either be handed in to the Albany Club or sent to:

*The Albany Club Battle of the Bands, Albany Club, 10 Earlsdon Street, Coventry CV5 6EG*

The competition will take place on Thursday evenings between 8pm and 11pm. Heat 1 begins on **Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May** We may ask all bands to send a representative on that night to explain all rules in full plus tell you when your first round heat is.

All successful acts will be notified by post no later than a week before the date of the first heat. We will include the date of the opening heat that you will be playing in.

The 1st round is a random draw. The number of rounds and heats will be dependant on the number of successful applicants. The winner of each round 1 competition will be named on the night and automatically registered for the quarter finals –dates t.b.c.

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- Applicants must be at least 14 years old by Wednesday 1st October 2008.
- Applicants must have a 20 minutes set consisting of half original material.
- At least 2 members any band/singer/DJ must live within the Midlands area. (Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, Leicestershire, Northamptonshire & Birmingham)

- Bands must consist of a minimum of 3 people.
- Load in/out times will be after 5pm and after 11pm respectively.
- Sound checks will be undertaken from 6pm - 7.30pm by which time the venue must be cleared of everyone except for participants and their guests.
- Applicants must state on their application if there are any dates they cannot do in the competition. Once the dates are set they cannot be changed. If a date is cancelled by an applicant they will forfeit the competition.
- All heat winners will win a small reward for their achievement.

**Judging Rules:**

- Each judge will independently score each band performance on a scale of 1 to 10 each against the following criteria;
- Overall professionalism and organisation of the band
- Stage presence and engagement with the audience
- Overall band image
- Musicianship, (individual technical abilities of musicians)
- Vocals – individual and harmony
- Music and lyrics, (own material only)
- An additional 10, 20, 30 or 40 points to be collectively awarded by the panel of judges based on an assessment of the audience reaction to each band, (this will encourage bands to bring family and friends–i.e. the louder and more excited and appreciative the crowd is the more points they score and the more likely they are to win).
- Don't forget you can post on our Facebook event page for Albany Club Battle of the Bands (<http://www.facebook.com/#/event.php?eid=270832192064&index=1>) and link your MySpace to ours (<http://www.myspace.com/thealbanyclub>)

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