



SONGWRITER CONTEST

KENTUCKY STATE FAIR

Entry Checklist:

- Entry Form
- Lyric sheet
- Recording of song (CD, USB flash drive, MP3 file or website where audio file is posted)—*not required for lyrics-only entry*

**KY STATE FAIR SONGWRITER CONTEST
YOUNG ADULT SONGWRITERS AGES 14-20
2011 KENTUCKY STATE FAIR**

ENTRY FORM**ENTRY DEADLINE: July 1, 2011**

- Music & Lyrics Entry Lyrics-Only Entry (no music or recording required)

Song Title: _____

Style of Music:

- Rock/Alternative R&B Pop Jazz Folk Country Christian/Gospel Other: _____

Songwriting Workshops: I plan to attend on (check all applicable) June 11 June 18 June 25

Primary Songwriter Contact Information: (non-published information)

Name: _____ E-mail Address: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

Songwriter(s)' Website (if applicable): _____

Songwriter(s)' Facebook and/or MySpace Page: (if applicable) _____

Adult Contact Name (if songwriters are not yet 18 years of age): _____

Adult Contact Cell Phone: () _____ Adult Contact E-mail: _____

INCOMPLETE ENTRY FORMS WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED

By signing below, each songwriter confirms that he/she has read and will follow the Rules & Regulations of this contest. Any violation of these rules by any contestant may result in the immediate disqualification of the entry.

List all songwriters:

Name (Print):	Signature:	Instrument/Vocals:	Age:
1. _____	_____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____	_____

Parent/Guardian Signatures (for members under the age of 18, guardians please sign on line corresponding to band member list above):

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____



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SONGWRITING WORKSHOPS: JUNE 2011
SONGWRITERS SHOWCASE: AUGUST 20, 2011

GENERAL RULES:

- A series of three (3), free songwriting workshops, conducted by professional songwriters, will be held in Louisville on Saturdays in June (see schedule). All participating songwriters are encouraged to attend at least one of these workshops. Aspiring songwriters may want to attend more than one workshop in the series. Pre-registration will be required, and all applicants will receive details about each workshop by email.
- Each song submitted must be the contestant(s)' original work.
- Songwriters may collaborate. Songs submitted may have as many as three songwriters. All songwriters must be aged 14-20 on August 20, 2011.
- Each songwriter or group of songwriters may submit as many as three songs for consideration, but each song requires a separate entry form, recording if applicable (CD, USB flash drive, MP3 file or website where audio file is posted), and lyric sheet.
- Live music only – Pre-recorded tracks CANNOT be a part of the recorded performance, i.e., no singing to a track.
- Songs must not exceed five (5) minutes in length.
- Songwriters entering in the Lyrics-Only category do not need to submit an audio recording.
- The competition is open to any musical genre. Material must be suited to general audiences.
- The lyrics in any entry must comply with standard high school policies for good student conduct (no offensive or controversial lyrics, etc.). Songs must be family oriented equivalent to a G rating for public performance.
- Music & Lyrics entries will be judged on musicality, originality, dynamics, composition, melody, and lyrics. Lyrics-Only entries will be judged on lyric content, lyrical composition/song structure, and originality.
- The writer(s) of the Grand Prize winning song entry, selected by a panel of professional judges, will win a \$250 cash prize. The Grand Prize winner may be a Music & Lyrics or Lyrics-Only entry. First Runner-Up will receive a \$100 cash prize.
- Some contestants will be invited to perform in a musical showcase in the (YOUnG Adult Project) YAP Tent during the Kentucky State Fair.
- The Kentucky State Fair Board holds the right to use the song title, likeness, city and state of residence, photos, video, and other images of songwriter for promotional use without compensation.
- Participants are encouraged to copyright each song entry prior to submission, for their own protection. Copyright information will be distributed at the Songwriting Workshops.
- Some finalists, chosen by a selection committee, will perform in the Songwriters Showcase in the YAP Tent at the Kentucky State Fair on August 20, 2011.
- The Grand Prize Winner and First Runner-Up will be notified by July 22, 2011.
- All finalists will be required to sign an Affidavit of Eligibility and Liability and Public Relations Release.
- The Kentucky State Fair Board reserves the right of final decision on any matters pertaining to the KSF Songwriter Contest not covered by the competition rules/eligibility requirements.
- All participants are expected to abide by the general rules and regulations of the Kentucky State Fair, posted beginning on page 8 at <http://www.kystatefair.org/entries/premiumbook/generalrules.pdf>
- Questions about this contest? Contact Steph Wilding Darst at sdarst@ksfb.ky.gov or 502.367.5496
- These rules are designed to make the event fair for everyone. **Failure to comply may lead to disqualification.**
Thank you for your cooperation.



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For songwriters chosen to perform in the Kentucky State Fair Songwriters Showcase, featured prior to the Battle of the Bands Finals on August 20, 2011:

- Travel to and from the YAP Tent is the sole responsibility of each performer. The Kentucky State Fair Board will provide exhibitor tickets covering parking/admission for each performer in the Songwriting Showcase.
- The Kentucky State Fair Board is not responsible for theft/damage or injury of any kind, to persons or instruments, props, clothing etc., before, during, or after the performance.
- Songwriters may perform with as many as six musicians (including themselves). Musical equipment will be provided by The Kentucky State Fair Board: full sound system, 2 guitar amps, 1 bass amp, keyboards, and 5-piece drum set. Performers should supply their own guitars and drum sticks, if needed.

HOW TO ENTER:

- Download an Entry Form at www.kystatefair.org/specialAreas/yap.aspx or www.facebook.com/ksfyoungadultproject
- Submit a completed entry form and lyric sheet. Songwriters entering a Music & Lyrics entry must also submit a recording of the song (CD, USB flash drive, MP3 file or website where audio file is posted). A recording is not required for Lyrics-Only entries. Mail to: Kentucky State Fair Songwriter Contest, P. O. Box 37130, Louisville, KY 40233-7130 or hand-deliver during regular business hours to: KSF Songwriter Contest, c/o Executive Offices, Kentucky Exposition Center, 937 Phillips Lane, Louisville, KY 40209. Deadline for receipt (*not* postmark) is **July 1, 2011** at 4:00 p.m. EST.

***SUBMISSION OF ENTRY FORM IMPLIES AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY
COMPETITION RULES AS SET FORTH ABOVE.***

Kentucky State Fair Songwriting Workshops:

All workshops will be held at Mom's Music, 1900 Mellwood Ave., Louisville, KY

- Saturday, June 11, 2011, 2:00-4:00 pm
- Saturday, June 18, 2011, 2:00-4:00 pm
- Saturday, June 25, 2011, 2:00-4:00 pm

Pre-registration is required. Contact Steph Wilding Darst to register: sdarst@ksfb.ky.gov or 502.367.5496