



2009 KARAOKE CONTEST
SPONSORED BY MOHEGAN SUN AT POCONO DOWNS

OFFICIAL CONTEST RULES

RULE 1

- I. All contestants must be 21 years of age or older. I.D.'s will be checked!

RULE 2

- I. Each performer shall sing one contest song each night of the semi-finals. Duets are permitted, however, the act that starts must remain intact. Any substitution or reduction of contestants will result in termination of the Act. The ten (10) semi-finalists shall sing two songs on the night of the finals.
- II. If a contestant chooses to sing the same song as another contestant this is allowed.
- III. All contestants must pick from song lists provided by DJs Lisa & Daryl, however, contestants are permitted to provide their own music in cdg format. Each contestant shall use only the equipment provided by Breakers and DJs Lisa & Daryl. NO outside equipment shall be used.
- IV. Contest organizers reserve the right to disallow any material deemed inappropriate.

RULE 3

- I. Contestants will be judged by a panel of judges.
- II. Each judge shall be non-partial and all decisions by the judges are final.
- III. Each contestant shall be judged by the following categories:
 - *Performance*: enunciation, meter, dynamics, pitch vibrato (1-20 points)
 - *Presentation*: creativity, performance, song selection, appearance (1-10 points)
 - *Star Quality*: confidence, body language, eye contact (1-5 points)
- IV. The top contestant scoring the most points will advance to the karaoke finals.
- V. Contestants may only qualify once for the karaoke finals.
- VI. The First Place Winner each Thursday night will win a \$250.00 cash prize and will automatically advance to the final competition to be held on Thursday, November 19, 2009 for a chance to win the \$2,500.00 grand prize.

RULE 4

- I. Registration will take place from 6:00-7:30 p.m. each Thursday during the semi-finals.**
- II. There will be NO WARM UPS.**
- III. Limited to 30 singers.**
- IV. The order of performance shall be decided by a random drawing of names.**
- V. Contest organizers reserve the right to limit the number of times an individual may compete during the ten (10) week semi-finals. Contestants who have previously competed in the semi-finals will have their names placed on a "wait/wildcard" list. A minimum of ten (10) contestants will be randomly drawn from this list to compete in the present weekly semi-final contest.**
- VI. Contest judges each week will award a limited amount of "Golden Tickets" to select contestants with a high score to be invited to return the following week and automatically compete without the necessity of registration.**

RULE 5

- I. In the event of a tie, the contestants will be asked to pick a new song in a given amount of time and compete in a "sing-off."**

RULE 6

- I. Any contestant that faces the malfunction (within reason) of the equipment has the option of starting over. Examples: feedback, skipping of disk, loss of microphone. (This does not include the contestant bumping into the equipment causing a skip or turning off the microphone while singing.)**

RULE 7

- I. Any contestant guilty of leaving the stage while they are performing shall be disqualified.**
- II. Any contestant guilty of distracting any of the other contestants while they are performing shall be disqualified.**
- III. Any contestant guilty of insulting or starting any confrontation with any of the judges, audience, contestants, or anyone affiliated with the contest shall be disqualified and/or ineligible to participate at the Breakers Karaoke Contest.**

RULE 8

- I. Employees of Mohegan Sun at Pocono Downs and Breakers Bar, their respective affiliates, subsidiaries, distributors, and alcohol beverage retailers, directors, officers, advertising and promotional agencies are NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE.**