

Dan Emmett Old-Time Fiddle Contest

Saturday, August 12, 2017

HOW TO REGISTER

- Online – New this year! Fill out the form under the Fiddle Contest at www.danemmettfestival.org. Online registration closes on Friday, August 11, 2017. Please confirm your registration in-person on the contest day from 9:30-10:45am.
- Mail – Fill out this form and place it in the mail no later than Friday, August 4, 2017. Please confirm your registration in-person on the contest day from 9:30-10:45am.
- In-Person - Registration tables will be available on the contest day from 9:30-10:45am. Registration will close promptly at 11:00am for all classes.

CLASSES (*contestants may only perform in one class*)

- **Ages 11 & Under** – play a hoedown and a waltz
- **Ages 12-19** – play a hoedown, a waltz, and a tune of choice
- **Ages 55 & Over** – play a hoedown, a waltz, and a tune of choice
- **Open Class** (Ages 20-54, but available to anyone 12 or older) – play a hoedown, a waltz, and a tune of choice

RULES

1. Only contestants registered by 11am on contest day will be allowed to perform. Contestants may register online, by mail, or in-person. Contestants that register or confirm after 10:45am will be required to perform first.
2. Contestants may only register for one class.
3. Contestants must play on standard tuned acoustic instruments.
4. Contestants may have one acoustic accompanist. ***The accompanist may not play the melody.***
5. Contestants will perform tunes in this order: hoedown, waltz, tune of choice.
 - a. A hoedown is a duple or quadruple meter traditional, danceable, old-time tune. A waltz is a 3/4 meter old-time tune.
 - b. The tune of choice may be a rag, polka, jig, reel, or hornpipe using hornpipe rhythm, but not another hoedown.
6. The show tunes *Orange Blossom Special*, *Black Mountain Rag*, and *Listen To The Mockingbird* are not allowed.
7. The time limit for 11 & under is 4 minutes. The time limit for all other classes is 6 minutes. The time limit for tiebreakers is 2½ minutes. ***Points will be deducted for going over time.***
8. Classes will perform in this order beginning at 11am: 11 & Under, 55 & Over, BREAK, 12-19, Open Class
9. Performance order will be randomly drawn for each class at 10:45am and will be posted by the registration tent and the stage stairs for reference. Contestants that register or confirm after 10:45am will automatically be selected to perform first. You are not allowed to switch your performance order. ***Be ready by the stage stairs one contestant before you are to play; tardiness will cut into your time limit.***
10. If you break a string, you may re-start at the end of your class without penalty. You will be announced by your original performance order.
11. You will be judged on 4 categories for a total of 100 points per judge:
 - a. Old-time ability, authenticity, and suitability (30 points)
 - b. Rhythm and timing (30 points)
 - c. Clarity, intonation, and expression (30 points)
 - d. Difficulty and mastery (10 points)
12. In the event of a tie, contestants will be asked to play one (1) tune of their choice (may be from original choices).
13. The judges' decision will be final.
14. There will be no selling of CD's or other material without written permission from the Knox County Convention and Visitor's Bureau or the Dan Emmett Music & Arts Festival Chairpersons.

PRIZES

<u>11 & Under</u>	<u>12-19</u>	<u>55 & Over</u>	<u>Open Class</u>
1 st Prize: \$65.00	1 st Prize: \$100.00	1 st Prize: \$100.00	1 st Prize: \$150.00
2 nd Prize: \$50.00	2 nd Prize: \$75.00	2 nd Prize: \$75.00	2 nd Prize: \$125.00
3 rd Prize: \$40.00	3 rd Prize: \$50.00	3 rd Prize: \$50.00	3 rd Prize: \$100.00
4 th Prize: \$25.00	4 th Prize: \$35.00		4 th Prize: \$75.00

Mail-in Registration Form on next page.

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REGISTRATION FORM

Contestant's Name _____

Contest Class (select one)

_____Ages 11 & Under

_____Ages 55 & Over

_____Ages 12-19

_____Open Class (Ages 20-54, but open to anyone 12 & Over)

Performance Tunes (please list title)

Hoedown _____

Waltz _____

Choice* _____

*Ages 11 & Under do not play a tune of choice.

Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email _____

Please mail-in no later than Friday, August 4, 2017 to:

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8599 Horn Road
Gambier, OH 43022