



Online Contests

Poetry/Spoken Word
Songwriting

(Note: the following applies to both the Songwriting and Poetry/Spoken Word competitions. Where "song" is indicated, substitute "poem" if entering the Poetry/ Spoken Word competition.)

Each entry must include:

1. Completed entry form with original signature
2. Song lyrics recorded on CD or tape
3. Two (2) copies of lyrics for each song entered, typed or printed clearly. Artbeat will not be held responsible the disqualification of illegible entries.
4. If you are entering more than one song, please submit all songs on ONE (1) CD or tape. If entering both the songwriting and poetry competitions, please submit ONE (1) CD or tape for each competition (i.e., one CD/tape for songs, one CD/tape for poems).
5. If entering a CD, please make sure the CD case and CD itself are marked with entrant's full name. (If using the ultra-thin CD case, a label with entrant's name must be affixed to the case. If using a regular-sized CD case or cassette case, please mark the spine of the case with entrant's name, as well as the CD or tape itself.)
6. An entry fee of \$20 must accompany the first entry; each additional entry is \$10. Please note: if your entry is postmarked or submitted online AFTER June 30, 2009, ALL entries will be assessed a fee of \$20 (with no discount for additional entries). Personal checks, money orders, and credit cards are accepted as payment. If paying by check, please make check payable to: ART-BEAT. One check or money order payment for multiple entries/ categories is permitted. All entry fees are non-refundable. Contestants will not be reimbursed for postage for any reason.

It is the contestant's responsibility to submit the correct payment amount for all songs entered. If multiple songs are entered and the monies submitted to Artbeat do not cover all the submissions, Artbeat will only accept those entries for which full payment was received, in the order they are listed on the entry form. Artbeat cannot be held liable for payments that are unable to be processed due to insufficient funds and/or error on the part of any third party involved in the processing of such funds. It is also the contestant's responsibility to provide accurate and complete information on the entry form and material via postal mail, website, and/or EPK.

Each song submitted must be the contestant's original work. Songs may have multiple co-writers. Prizes will be awarded to the person or persons specified on the entry form. All personal information submitted to Artbeat will remain confidential. If submitting information online, Artbeat will not be held responsible for any breach of privacy that may occur through the use of any third-party website.

Neither Artbeat nor any of its affiliates are responsible for lost or damaged entries. If a damaged product arrives by mail, entrant(s) will be notified and be given the opportunity to re-submit the material. If the damaged material was first submitted on or before June 30, 2009, and you do not receive notification to re-submit until after June 30, 2009, the re-submitted material must be post-marked within five (5) business days after you are contacted for any additional entries to remain eligible for the discounted entry fee of \$10. Should the re-submitted material be postmarked beyond this period, a surcharge of \$10 must accompany each additional entry. All entries must be postmarked or submitted online on or before JULY 31, 2009.

Please be aware that any materials submitted to Artbeat will not be returned to the entrant. Therefore, please DO NOT send the original copy of your material.

Refunds will not be issued by Artbeat or any of its affiliates that are involved with processing applicable monies. Artbeat reserves the right to refuse submissions and payment from any individual or company at its own discretion.

Rules and regulations and sponsorship prizes may be subject to change. Should there be any problematic or unforeseen issues that arise in judging, Artbeat will make the final decision. Artbeat also reserves the right to change judges or add new judges for any reason during the course of the competition. Judging will be focusing on lyrics, creativity, and the overall quality of the composition. Judging will not be based on the performance and/or recording quality of the submission. Final results will be determined by August 30, 2009 and posted on our website (www.artbeatcontest.com). Winning contestants will be notified directly by mail and/or email.

Cash and prizes may be subject to local, state, and federal taxes. It is the winning contestant's responsibility to pay all applicable taxes relating to cash or prizes. Artbeat will report all cash prizes distributed. Cash and prizes, contest rules, and entry into the contest are subject to all laws set forth. It is the responsibility of the contestant to investigate and abide by any and all federal, state, and/or local laws. Void where prohibited.