

# Northampton Days

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## Battle of the Bands

Sunday, September 13, 2009 – 10am to 5pm

### **RULES**

Applications will be accepted NO LATER than Friday, August 28, 2009

Northampton Days Battle of the Bands is a family-friendly event.

### **Scoring and Judging**

1. Judges' scoring will consist of a total of 10 possible points in each of the following categories, Technical Proficiency, Vocals, Music Ability, Stage Presence, Audience Response and Time.
2. All judge's decisions are final.
3. Prizes will be awarded to the top three bands.

### **Equipment**

1. Bands must bring all of their gear.
2. All equipment must be delivered to the staging area 1 ½ hours before your band's performance time on the day of performance.
3. Bands should keep in mind that 5 minutes are allotted for setting up and tearing down between sets and plan accordingly. Up to 5 points can be deducted from the judges' raw score for delays in set changes.
4. Penalties for delays in setting up or tearing down will be determined by judges in consultation with the sound tech and the stage manager. You will have 15 minutes to play your set. In order to feature as many bands as possible, equipment changes between bands must flow smoothly. Please be prepared so we can stay on schedule.
5. Bands are responsible for any Battle of the Bands equipment damaged or lost during their set-up, set or tear-down.

### **Band Personnel**

1. Only the members of the band listed on your registration form may perform. If there are any changes before the competition, the change must be submitted in an email for approval at least 5 days prior to scheduled performance.
2. All members of each band are required to be present at least 45 minutes prior to their performance time, and at least one member of each band must be present for the scheduled band meeting, day and time to be determined later. You will be notified of the meeting date. If all band members are not in the designated area on time the band will be disqualified.

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3. No bands will be allowed to perform wearing any clothing or items that refer to alcohol or other drugs or themes considered inappropriate.
4. When selecting songs for your set, please keep in mind that Battle of the Bands is a public performance in front of a variety of people. We ask that you not use offensive language in your performance. If the judges feel it is necessary, the band will be disqualified.
5. Any use of substances will not be tolerated. If any band member is suspected of being under the influence of alcohol or other drugs, the band will be disqualified.
6. Bands playing order will be determined by draw of numbers.
7. Please forward band member's names and band photo (jpeg).

## **Other Rules**

All participants are required to be courteous and respectful toward other participating musicians. Participants who fail to respect other musicians' performances will be subject to point deductions and/or disqualification.

Bands may set up a table at the back of the crowd to sell band merchandise (CD's, T-shirts, posters) during the show. Only Band merchandise, no businesses, will be allowed to sell items. Northampton Days and Battle of the Bands are NOT responsible for loss or theft of cash or merchandise so make sure your table is well staffed.

Bands that must withdraw from the competition must inform Gita @ Northampton Days in writing at least two weeks prior to performance. Bands who fail to show or withdraw after the deadline will be banned from participating in any future events.

Please keep these pages for future reference. If you have any questions call Gita @ 267-237-2692 or email [quicknumber@comcast.net](mailto:quicknumber@comcast.net)

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This form must be completely filled out and received by Friday, August 28, 2009.

Don't leave anything blank or we can't consider your band.

Bring a copy along with you on September 13, 2009.

<b>Band Contact Person:</b>
<b>Address:</b>
<b>City/State/Zip:</b>
<b>E-mail address:</b>
<b>Cell Phone:</b>
<b>Name of Band:</b>
<b>Genre:</b>

Tell us about who is in your band...

Name	Age	Town	School (if applicable)	Instrument	Signature

Email Gita: [quicknumber@comcast.net](mailto:quicknumber@comcast.net) or  
Mail to: 16 Pebble Court, Holland, PA 18966

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