

CONTESTANT ENTRY FORM

SECTION 1:

SUBMIT BY: APRIL 14, 2023

SEND TO:

PHONE:

WBDC

(812) 634-9232

PO BOX 1009

Jasper, IN 47547

To enter the Country Showdown you must complete Sections 1 and 2 and submit it to WBDC. Be sure to sign Section 2.

IN	AME (Parent or Gaurdian signature for minor under a	ge of 18 years)
EMAIL ADDRESS	ONLINE SITES (website, twitter, facebook, youtube, etc)	
ADDRESS OR STATE ROUTE		
CITY	STATE	ZIPCODE

Contestants Detach Here: Keep Rules & Regulations portion & submit Entry Form

Rules & Regulations

- **1. ENTRY PROCEDURE:** You must complete this form and return it to WBDC with your registration fee before the deadline date.
- 2. REGISTRATION FEE: TO ENTER THE COUNTRY SHOWDOWN A REGISTRATION FEE OF \$30.00 USD PER ACT IS REQUIRED PAYABLE TO WBDC.
- **3. DISPUTES:** Failure to comply with the rules and regulations, including errors and omissions, can result in disqualification of the contestant or group. WBDC's decisions are final.

4. PERFORMANCE:

- a. Each act entered in the Showdown must perform only with the personnel listed on Sections 1 and 2 of the Entry Form.
- **b.** Individuals may perform with only one act during the Showdown.
- **c.** WBDC will provide a backup band for acts requiring instrumental support.
- **d.** No live "backup band" vocals are allowed. Neither the backup band nor any of its members is permitted to compete in the Showdown in which they are the backup band.
- e. Each act must perform live, vocally and/or instrumentally. Special lighting, props, or special effects may be used with prior written approval.
- f. Any act with three or more individuals playing an instrument may not use the backup band or any part of the backup band, or pre-recorded music.
- **g.** The amount of performance time given to each local Showdown contestant will be a maximum of 10 mins. For every 30 seconds a contestant goes over, 1 point will be deducted from their score.
- h. All performances must be done in good taste: no music or lyrics that WBDC considers to be offensive may be performed.
- i. No Age Limit.
- j. Contestants may perform their own music and receive extra bonus points from the judges. Music eligible for bonus points will be defined as any piece of music written or co-written by the contestant (either individual or member of group). Any contestant (either individual or member of group) who claims to be using his own music may be disqualified at the discretion of WBDC if a musical copyright for the music exists which does not name the contestant as author or co-author.
- **k.** Acceptable documentation to prove ownership of your music shall include either a certificate of copyright, proof of song registration with BMI, ASCAP, etc., or a notarized copy of the music.
- I. Performances will be awarded 0-10 points in each of the following categories: 1) Marketability; 2) Vocal/Instrumental Ability; 3) Originality;
- 4) Stage Presence/Charisma; 5) Talent.
- An optional bonus of up to three points may be awarded for acts performing their own music.
- m. In the event of a tie, the first tie-breaker shall be the highest number of points given in the Talent category. The second tie-breaker shall be the highest number of points awarded in the Marketability category. The third tie-breaker shall be by secret vote of the judges based on overall performance style and impact.
- 5. CONTEST PRIZES: First Place Winner \$1,000 Second Place Winner \$250 Third Place Winner \$100 Plus Trophies

Section 2

A one-time entry fee of \$30.00 is required from each act and must be submitted with this section to WBDC prior to the competition. The following have read the Showdown Rules and Regulations and by signing below that the terms of eligibility and all the contest rules are understood and accepted.

NAME OF ACT:

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Name (Print)	Name (Print)	Name (Print)
Name (Signature) (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)	Name (Signature) (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)	Name (Signature) (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)
Street	Street	Street
City State Zip	City State Zip	City State Zip
Age Vocal Instrumental	Age Vocal Instrumental	Age Vocal Instrumental
2. Name (Print)	5. Name (Print)	7. Name (Print)
Name (Signature) (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)	Name (Signature) (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)	Name (Signature) (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)
Street	Street	Street
City State Zip	City State Zip	City State Zip
Age Vocal Instrumental	Age Vocal Instrumental	Age Vocal Instrumental
3. Name (Print)	_	Enclosed is cash
Name (Signature) (Parent or Guardian, if under 18)	WHI	or a money order in the amount of:
Street	THE 41ST ANNUAL CHOWN	\$30 (US currency) per act
City State Zip		Money Order Must Be Payable To:
Age Vocal Instrumental	-	WBDC

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- 6. PROMOTIONAL AUTHORIZATION: By submitting an Entry Form, the act (and each individual member thereof) grants to DBCi (DCBroad casting inc.), the parent company of WBDC and WJTS-TV, the right to utilize the act's (and each individual member's thereof) name, likeness, image, voice, appearance, and performance in perpetuity worldwide for advertising, trade or any other lawful promotional purposes whatsoever, in any and all media now known or thereafter developed, without compensation. I/we also grant DCBi the right to broadcast, market, sell and otherwise distribute my name, image, likeness, voice, appearance and performance, either in whole or in parts for commercial, non-commercial television, close-circuit exhibition, home video distribution, internet or any other purpose DCBi, in their sole discretion may determine. I/we hereby give all clearance, copyright or otherwise, for the use of my name, likeness, image, voice, appearance and performance embodied in my/our performance/stage presentation. If under 18 years of age, parent or quardian must sign the entry form.
- 7. ASSUMPTION OF RISK: By submitting this Entry Form, the act (and each individual member thereof) assumes all risks of property damage or bodily injury (including death) that might occur during the Showdown event. The act (and each individual member thereof) agrees not to bring against the sponsors any claim for property damage or bodily injury (including death) that might occur during Showdown event.
- **8. GOOD CHARACTER:** The act agrees that it may be disqualified immediately from the Showdown competition if the act (or any member thereof) commits any act or becomes involved in any situation that would adversely reflect on the Showdown or any party furnishing a prize, or tend to bring it or that party into public disrepute.
- 9. ELIGIBILITY: Submit any questions regarding eligibility to WBDC.
- a. I am/we are not an act with over seven individuals.
- **b.** I/we have not performed on a record listed in Billboard within eighteen months preceding local competition.
- **c.** I/we have paid the \$30.00 registration fee before performing live at the Showdown.
- d. I am/we are not part of the backup band nor am I/are we related to any member of the backup band by birth or marriage nor have I/we performed with the local back-up band or any member of the local backup band for monetary compensation within the past year.
- e. I am/we are not an owner, controlling stockholder or employee of and I am/we are not related by birth or marriage, nor do I/we live in the same household as one of the Showdown judges, or any employee, controlling stockholder, owner, officer or agent of DCBi.