

Band2gether

OFFICIAL RULES:

1. The contest is open to bands in which the majority of members are residents of Lakewood, Ohio and the majority of members are currently attending middle school or high school. No members of the band can be older than 21 years of age as of July 2009. Qualifications will be verified prior to acceptance.
2. **All applications must be received by Wednesday, May 13th at Vance Music Studios at 16420 Madison Avenue: www.vancemusicstudios.com**

Applications must be accompanied with a recording of your band performing for 30 – 45 minutes. Songs can be submitted separately on same device. Recordings accepted include cassette tape, MP3, CD, DVD or MySpace band pages.
3. Finalists will be chosen by the judges and will be notified via phone by May 25th, 2009.
4. Finalists must be available to perform on the date and time given and to be video taped for broadcast on a public access channel and in promotional videos.
5. Finalist performances will be approximately 45 minutes in length.
6. A professional sound system and engineer will be provided. Bands may bring their own sound engineer OR may use the sound engineer provided. Each finalist band must provide their own instruments for the performance except that a **5-piece drum kit will be provided and drummers should bring their own throne, snare, cymbals, hi-hat, and kick pedal.** The use of a single house drum kit for all bands will allow for faster set changes and a smoother show.
7. All decisions of the judges are final.
8. Lyrics must be suitable for all audiences (no obscenities, profanity, violence etc.)
9. By participating, each entrant consents to allow the use of his/her name and/or photographs for advertising this or similar promotions without further compensation.
10. Participants release LakewoodAlive and affiliated companies and sponsors from any responsibility or liability in connection with any injuries, losses, or damages of any kind caused by or resulting from the performance at Band2gether or from acceptance or usage of any prize awarded hereunder.

Band2gether is a program of Downtown Lakewood's volunteer-based effort to revitalize Lakewood's historic downtown business district. Downtown Lakewood is a program of LakewoodAlive, a nonprofit 501-(c)(3) economic development organization. For more information go to www.lakewoodalive.com