

Thanks for showing your interest in the OGH Battle of the Bands. As you can appreciate there's a lot of work going on behind the scenes to try and promote, fund and organise this event so that you, the bands, can have a great experience. We have a few questions for you but before we ask them, we thought we'd answer a few questions that you guys might have.

- How do we apply?

We have attached a form that needs to be filled in, signed by EACH band member and returned with your \$30 entry fee as soon as possible. Due to time constraints on the day we will only be accepting 18 applications so fill in your entries, attach a link to your music and we'll be in touch. The application needs to be hand delivered to the Ocean Grove Hotel marked attention to Petti, please.

- Who can enter?

We are asking for DUO'S PLUS, sorry but this means no solo artists for this comp. This is a competition for HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS only. To make it fair to everyone, each band member needs to be currently attending high school between years 7-12.

- What cost is involved and where does this money go?

There is a \$30 entry fee (per band) and this money goes directly to pay for the sound engineer. All patrons (audience) will be asked to make a gold coin donation upon entry to raise money to be donated to Headspace, Geelong (helping our youth understand and work through life's challenges) & Srey United (providing lifesaving basic hygiene & sponsorship of education to children throughout Siem Reap).

In the event that we receive more than 18 applications, the \$30 fee will be refunded to any unsuccessful applicants.

- What time do we need to arrive on the day?

The run sheet for the day will be released at the OGH at 11am. All bands must be present at this time as we are kicking off at 12pm sharp to enable equal amounts of stage time for each performance. Tamara from Haze Music is your point of contact on the day. Your band will be called 30 minutes prior to your performance time and ALL band members need to be accounted for at this time. Due to time constraints, we cannot wait for the late arrival of band members and in the instance that not all members are ready to perform, the whole band will be disqualified.

- **What are the criteria for judging?**

1. Presentation (This is all about stage presence and the ability to perform to a crowd. Ability to set up and remove your gear also comes into consideration.
2. Musicianship. (Ability to play instruments, play as a group, in tune, timing etc.").
3. Composition (Although we are accepting bands playing covers, extra points will be given for original songs so if you have written a song of your own – go for it!).
4. Recording Potential (How well is the song/s received by the audience, is there potential for airplay in the future)

- **What do we need to bring on the day?**

The day will run from 12pm -6pm with each band allocated a (strictly timed) 20 minute spot on stage. During this time each band must set up, play and pack down. Sound gear, amps, a drum kit and backline equip will all be provided but ***each band must BYO instruments & leads***. As mentioned above, each band is requested to be on site 30 minutes prior to their allocated time.

- **Are there prizes?**

Of course!!! We are currently working on prizes for the top three bands, as judged by our panel of legends. Details of all the prizes will be released closer to the date. Each team will also be given written feedback at the end of the day, provided by the judges on the above criteria.

- **What else do we need to know...**

As the Ocean Grove Hotel is a licensed venue, each band member under the age of 18 will need to be accompanied by a parent or guardian and unfortunately a 20 year old mate doesn't count as a guardian.

In the event that the day is cancelled, a phone call will be made to the bands spokesperson (as listed on the entry form) and all entry fees will be reimbursed.

- **What can you do to help make the day a success?**

Arrive on time

Tell your Family and friends to come and support you

Give it your best shot and have a great time!

Band Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Spokesperson: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact number: \_\_\_\_\_

Details of band members:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Instrument: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_ Current school: \_\_\_\_\_

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