

Cox's Yard

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

Official Application Form

To take part in the Battle of the Bands 2012 competition at Cox's Yard this form must be fully completed and handed in with a demo CD or MySpace details no later than **28th December 2011**. Completed forms can either be handed in to Cox's Yard or sent to:

Battle of the Bands Competition, Cox's Yard, Bridgefoot, Stratford upon Avon, Warwickshire, CV37 6YY

Or emailed to: botb@coxsyard.co.uk

The competition will take place on Wednesdays evenings from Jan 11th 2012 through to April 2012 between 8pm and 11pm. Heat 1 begins on **Wednesday January 11th 2012**

All successful acts will be notified by email no later than the **31st December 2011**, this will include the date of the opening heat that you will be playing in. One member of each band must attend a briefing on Wednesday 4th January where kit-shares must be agreed and you will meet the bands in your heat.

The 1st round is a random draw. The following rounds are structured, for example, in the 2nd round the winners of heat 1 play the winners of heat 2, the winners of heat 3 will play the winners of heat 4 etc. Following rounds will continue in the same structured manner. The number of rounds and heats will be dependent on the number of successful applicants.

Rules and Regulations

- Applicants must be at least 14 years old by Wednesday 28th December 2011.
- Applicants must have a 30min set consisting of original material (**only one cover allowed per set**)
- At least 2 members of the band must live within the midlands area. (Warwickshire, Worcestershire, Gloucestershire, Oxfordshire, Leicestershire, Northamptonshire & Birmingham)
- Load in/out times will be after 5pm and after 11pm respectively.
- There is no parking on Cox's Yard. You can bring vehicles down to load in but they must be moved once the gear is out of them. Sound checks will not begin until vehicles are removed from the site.
- Sound checks will be undertaken from 6pm - 7.30pm by which time the venue must be cleared of **everyone** except for participants.
- The voting system will be via a regular ballot sheet. Each person will receive a ballot sheet, they must vote for favourite, second and least favourite band as the ballot card indicates. The votes will be counted at the end of night by members of staff and witnessed by one representative of each act. There will a judging panel consisting of three related officials who will each have 30votes for their favourite act only.
- Applicants must state on their application if there are any dates they cannot do in the competition. Once the dates are set they cannot be changed. If a date is cancelled by an applicant they will forfeit the competition.
- Each Round 1 winner will receive £100 and will progress to the Quarter Finals. Quarter Final winners receive £150 and progress to the Semi Finals. The Semi Finals winners receive £200 and go to the Grand Final. On the final night the prize monies are £300 + £1000 worth of studio recording time.