



**The Great 2012 DCBU Band Competition
at the 3rd Annual DC Bluegrass Festival**
Friday, February 24, 2012 – competition 7 pm-10 pm
Holiday Inn – College Park
10000 Baltimore Ave.
College Park, MD 20740

Registration

- Entry forms and registration fees must be received by **February 10, 2012**.
- The registration fee is \$50 per band; entry fees are non-refundable. Contestant band members do not need tickets for Friday night. Please make checks or money orders payable to DCBU or DC Bluegrass Union.
- Email entry forms to bandcompetition@dcbu.org. Mail entry forms and fees to: DCBU Band Competition, 3320 Grass Hill Terrace, Falls Church, VA 22044.

Competition Rules

- **Bands:** No full-time touring bands. Regional and local bands are welcome. Please send any questions about qualifying to bandcompetition@dcbu.org.
- **Prizes:** First Prize - \$800 and the opening festival performance slot on Saturday, February 25; a hotel room at the venue will be provided for the first prize winner. Second Prize - \$300. Third Prize - \$200.
- **Performance:** 2 songs per band (one vocal and one instrumental), with a total stage time of 10 minutes (including set-up). Time limit is subject to change depending on the number of entries.
- **Sound:** Sound equipment will be provided. With the exception of bass amps (see **Instruments**), bands must use the sound equipment provided. Bands cannot bring their own sound engineer. Larger bands may have to share mics.
- **Instruments:** Traditional bluegrass instrumentation encouraged. With exception of electric and stand-up bass, no electric instruments or pickups may be used. Bands using a bass amp must bring their own amp. Drum kits and keyboards cannot be accommodated.
- **Slots:** 3 slots will be reserved for DCBU member bands until a deadline of January 15, 2012. No more than 15 bands will be registered. Performance order will be determined by a random drawing held between the registration deadline and the date of the competition.
- **Band Members:** Contestant bands may not share members.

Judging

- There will be 3 judges. All decisions are final. The DCBU board and members of their families are disqualified from acting as judges.

DCBU Band Competition Entry Form

Mail forms to: DCBU Band Competition, 3320 Grass Hill Terrace, Falls Church, VA 22044.

Band Name _____

Band Members _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

- Registration fee is enclosed.
- Registration fee is being mailed separately.