

INFORMATION, TERMS AND CONDITIONS

BAY NEWS / BAY OF PLENTY TIMES 2010 BUSKING CHAMPIONSHIPS DOWNTOWN THE MOUNT @ LABOUR WEEKEND

➤ **Saturday 23rd October** **Junior** **11.00am to 12.30pm**

➤ **Sunday 24th October** **Open** **11.00am to 1.30pm**

Downtown the Mount is closed to traffic

➤ REGISTRATION	All buskers must be at Mount Mainstreet Office in Phoenix Car Park at 10.30am sharp for a quick Brief, confirmation of registration, to collect your Voting Card and to find out your location.			
➤ WHERE AND WHEN	All buskers will perform on Maunganui Rd, between Banks and Pacific Ave during the above hours. You will be allocated a position which can not be changed unless agreed by Manager.			
➤ CATEGORIES	There are two sections – Junior and Open. Eligibility Junior Section - The individual or any member of the group are under 16 years as at 23 rd October 2010. Eligibility Open Section - The individual or any member of the group is 16 years or over as at 23 rd October 2010. Only in special circumstances will groups in excess of three members be accepted. Competitors must be strictly amateur.			
➤ JUDGING	A panel of judges will determine the first and runner-up places in each section. The judges' decision will be final and no correspondence shall be entered into. There is also a prize for the public choice performer determined by a Public Vote. One public voting form per person will be available from the Mount Mainstreet Office. Voting closes at the end of your section time.			
➤ BUSKERS CARD	These will be given to you – please display this in a prominent position so the judges and the Public Voters know who you are. Remember they are looking for presentation, sound, interaction and crowd participation. What will you do to win the judges over?!			
➤ SOUND LEVEL AND AMPLIFICATION	Use of 12V amplification only is allowed. If you require power for a keyboard or tape deck etc please advise us. You are not allowed to use any amplification unless it is a 12v (Battery powered) system. We may use sound meters to ensure anyone with amplifiers is not too loud.			
➤ PRIZES	JUNIOR SECTION		OPEN SECTION	
	1ST	\$500	1ST	\$1000
	2ND	\$300	2ND	\$ 600
	3RD	\$100	3RD	\$ 300
	PUBLIC CHOICE	\$100	PUBLIC CHOICE	\$ 100
➤ PRIZE GIVING	All prize winners will be announced and prizes presented at the Mount Mainstreet Office at 1.00pm for the Junior Section and 2.00pm for the Open Section. 1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd place winners from the Junior Section Saturday will be given the option of entering the Open Section on Sunday if they want to!			
➤ BUSKING FOR CASH	All buskers are welcome to and are encouraged to accept public donations while performing.			
➤ GENERAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The dictionary definition of a busker is a street performer therefore bands or groups with loud amplification, electric guitars, and drums that are likely to disrupt the performances of individuals will not be accepted. Only in special circumstances will groups in excess of three members be accepted. Tauranga City Council Busking permits will NOT be required by competitors. Entries close on Wednesday 20th October 2010. All performers will receive confirmation of their entry by email. Please check your email one week prior for information regarding the event. Unless it is unsafe, the event will not be cancelled if it is raining as all performers can be placed under verandahs. Please ensure we have your mobile number so that we can text you in the event of any cancellation. Any competitor in breach of any of these rules is liable to be disqualified from the competition. 			