



# Pontardawe Festival Singer/Songwriter Competition

Open to all unsigned singer/songwriters aged 16 and over.

Final to be held at Pontardawe Arts Centre on

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2009

The winner will open the Sunday evening Festival Concert  
on 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2009

and also receive a £50 cash prize.

## Competition small print.

Each entry must be accompanied by a £5 entrance fee (non refundable) and either a demo CD or link to an mp3 online recording or YouTube link.

Successful applicants will take part in heats during the week beginning 25<sup>th</sup> May.

8 finalists will be chosen to take part in the final on 12<sup>th</sup> June at Pontardawe Arts Centre. The winner will be chosen by 4 judges representing the music industry and Pontardawe Festival PLUS an audience vote. The judges will make their decision based on lyrical content, musical content, performance and presentation. The audience will vote for their favourite act and the votes will be added to those of the judges.

The decision of the judges and the audience on the night will be final.

Each of the 8 finalists will be required to purchase a minimum of 10 tickets for the final at a cost of £3 each. The face value of the tickets will be £5. Each finalist is free to distribute these tickets in whatever way they choose – give them away, re-sell them for the full amount if they wish – It is important to note that the audience vote could be critical, so the more supporters each finalist brings along the better it is for them. Extra tickets can be purchased by finalists if required at the discount rate..

Each entrant will have 15 minutes in which to perform no more than 3 songs.

Songs should be 100% original and written by the entrant themselves. **ABSOLUTELY NO COVERS!**

Songs may be in either English or Welsh (two of the judges will be welsh-speakers)

The competition is for the Singer/Songwriter but it is permissible to have up to two accompanying musicians perform with the entrant.

APPLICATION FORM  
FOR  
PONTARDAWE FESTIVAL  
SINGER/SONGWRITER  
COMPETITION

Name of Artist

Telephone No

Email

Website/MySpace

YouTube Link

Mp3 Link

I accept and agree to the Rules and Small Print of the competition and enclose my £5 entrance fee made payable to Gwyl Pontardawe Festival Ltd.

Signed

Date

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES 1<sup>st</sup>. MAY 2009

