

# UKCMC

## Songwriting Competition Rules & Conditions

### Prizes:

#### TOP PRIZE

- 1. The winning song will be recorded**  
Recorded & mixed professionally at a top digital recording studio in the West Midlands  
Mastered professionally to industry standard at a top digital recording studio in the West Midlands
- 2. Song will be scored & bound professionally**
- 3. A video will be produced and recorded of the winning song**
- 4. The winning song will be published**
- 5. The winning song will be included on the UCB Radio Playlist** (which is broadcast across the UK)

### Rules:

- Entrants must be 18 years and over, and a UK resident.
- To enter:
  - For each song entered there must be a signed UKCMC Songwriting Competition Form along with a £10 entry fee. Payment must be made by cheque (payable to UKCMC). Please ensure you place your name and address on the reverse of the cheque.
  - If you wish to submit more than one song you must complete and sign a separate UKCMC Songwriting Competition Form for each song and again pay a £10 entry fee.
  - The entrance fee is non-refundable.
  - All money will go to the charitable work of UKCMC. (See the website for further information [www.ukcmc.com](http://www.ukcmc.com)).
- Songs must be submitted on CD and be no more than 3½mins in length, please also include the lyrics for your song with your CD. CDs and lyrics will only be returned if sent with a stamped addressed envelope, otherwise they will be destroyed under supervision after the competition.
- Each song submitted must be the contestant's own original work and shall not infringe any copyrights or any other rights of any third parties. Songs may have multiple co-writers. It is the entrants responsibility to check that all recordings and files are playing correctly before submitting work and UKCMC reserves the right to judge entries on lyrics only if the accompanying recording is faulty and does not play.
- Songs will be judged based on composition, lyrics, melody, and originality. The winner has the option of asking someone else of their choice to sing their song. All contestants will retain their full ownership rights and all copyrights to all songs submitted.
- The prize is non-transferable and will be awarded to the winner's name(s) as it appears on the entry form. Where there is more than one name on the entry form, i.e. in the case of co-writers, the fair division and distribution of the prize among the writers is the responsibility of the winner. UKCMC reserves the right in its sole discretion to substitute any and all prizes with prizes of comparable value.
- All songs will go before the UKCMC panel and short-listed. Once short-listed the songs will then be judged by an independent selected panel that will then choose the winner.
- Deadline for entries will be **30 September 09**. UKCMC will notify the shortlist entrants between **2<sup>nd</sup> November – 16<sup>th</sup> November 09**. UKCMC will notify the winner on **23<sup>rd</sup> November 09**.
- By participating in the contest entrants agree to be bound by these rules and by any subsequent published revisions of these rules and by the decisions of UKCMC, which are final in all matters relating to the contest.