



UNCLE CLYDE'S COMEDY CONTEST COMPLETE RULES & DESCRIPTION

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UNCLE CLYDE'S COMEDY CONTEST is a year long Comedy Contest extravaganza!!!! Held every Wednesday "LIVE" at the legendary Ice House Comedy Club, located in Pasadena, CA. Produced by H2F Comedy Productions, Inc. There are SIX Preliminary Rounds, in each preliminary round 10 comics each perform a six-minute set. A Special Guest Performer or Group is invited to perform at "Half Time" and at "Math Time" (the end of the show while the votes are being tallied). Each 1st place weekly winner receives \$101 cash prize, 2nd place winners will receive a gift certificate from Louise's Trattoria, and 3rd place winners get Clyde's traditional Huge Side of French Fries. The 1st and 2nd place winners from each preliminary round will be invited to perform in a **Soup-Or-Bowl Finals**. Each Soup-Or-Bowl winner receives \$500.00 and a Professional Gig in The Ice House Main Room, 2nd place winners will receive a gift certificate from Louise's Trattoria, and 3rd place will be Clyde's traditional Huge Side of French Fries.

All 60 comics who participate in a Soup-Or-Bowl Finals will be invited back at the end of the year to participate in **Uncle Clyde's Championship Playoff Month** a run of 6 shows held in the Ice House Annex. The top two performers from each playoff show will be invited to perform in **The Clyde's Cup Grand Championship Challenge** in which ONE Grand Champion will win **HUGE PRIZES (TBD)**. We have tied in with the **Boston Comedy Festival** and the **Seattle Underground Comedy Festival** to give away slots in their comedy contest as well as a plethora of other prizes.

HISTORY OF UNCLE CLYDE'S AND THE ICEHOUSE

Opened in 1960, The Ice House has brought the finest in live entertainment to the San Gabriel Valley for over 42 years. During that time, over three million people have "discovered" the stars of today and tomorrow in the intimate showroom. In the 1960s, Folk music was in its prime, and The Ice House was America's top folk club with acts coming from all over the country to play and sing. The 1970s found the emphasis switching to comedy when stars such as Lily Tomlin, The Smothers Brothers and Gallagher recorded albums here. As a matter of fact, over 75 live albums have been recorded at The Ice House! In the 1980s we branched out with the addition of "COMICS," our [Hall of Fame restaurant](#). The 1990s find The Ice House in full swing as the most contemporary entertainment complex in the valley with the addition of a second showroom, the Ice House "Annex", and a year round charming outdoor deck. 2000 and Beyond - America's oldest club to continuously feature stand-up comedians continues to roll with successful years and happy customers.

H2F Comedy Productions, Inc. produces Uncle Clyde's Comedy Contest. H2F is a Full Service Comedy Management and Production Company owned and operated by two seasoned comedians, Barbara Holliday and Dave Reinitz. Founded in 1997, H2F began producing the American Comedy Festival's Comedy Contest at the Hollywood Athletic Club at Universal Studios City Walk, Los Angeles. Generating rave reviews, the contest evolved into its current incarnation, **Uncle Clyde's Comedy Contest** and has become the longest running and most successful comedy competition in Southern California. Housed at the Ice House for the past 5 years, the show can still be seen every Wednesday night. A variety of sponsors, including the Ice House, Boston Comedy Festival, The Riviera Comedy Club in Las Vegas, Comedy Central, Islands Restaurant chain, Pepsi, The Laugh Factory, Louise's Trattoria, Enspot.com and Holdon Log, have all been proud sponsors and partners with H2F.

THE VENUE- The Ice House

It is a great place for comedy and very comfortable for the audience. There are TWO showrooms and a full service restaurant. The Annex room seats 85 and the Mainroom seats 175. There is a 2 drink minimum in each room and they also serve great food. The stages are well lit, there is a DVD & CD player in both rooms and the microphones and sound are both top notch. The Ice House is located at 24 N. Mentor Ave. Pasadena. Major Cross Streets are LAKE AND COLORADO. There is free street parking available, but also a parking lot on Mentor Street for \$3.75 for the evening.

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PROGRAMS & VOTING

Each night there are programs and ballots with all the comedians and sponsor logos printed on them. The voting is very simple pre-printed ballots are handed out to the audience after the last comic has performed. The audience votes for their favorites. They must vote for 3 comics in the order they wish them to win. 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. 3 points are awarded for a 1st place vote, 2 points for 2nd place, and 1 point for 3rd. No ballots are handed out until after the last comic has finished, this encourages the audience to stay for the entire show. The voting at all FINALS is different, each audience member must vote for 3 comics, one point per vote, popular vote wins.

AUDITIONS AND CONTESTANTS

All comedians are pre auditioned several weeks prior to the show. Auditions are held live at the Ice House every Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Ice House Annex. **If you can ABSOLUTELY NOT MAKE IT to an audition you may submit for Uncle Clyde's by completing our online [Talent Submission Form](#). We prefer that you audition live as Uncle Clyde would really like to meet you!**

PUBLICITY

We have postcards advertising auditions and shows placed at various LA Locations and Comedy Clubs.

We are advertised on www.IceHouseComedy.com the main Ice House Website.

Tickets are distributed and Shows promoted via www.GoldstarEvents.com

We place monthly online Advertising/Banner ads at www.Chucklemonkey.com

Every show is advertised via email flyer to several distributions lists:

- Comedians Mailing List (1200 Comedians Worldwide) all comedians who have auditioned for the contest.
- Audience Distribution List- (2000 Audience Members who have previously filled out Audience surveys we distributed at every show)

STATISTICS

We track statistics on all our patrons. Complete Stats are available by request but overall 95% of our audience demo is 18-25. Median Salary Range of our patrons is \$25,000 to \$50,000 per year.

CONTEST RULES

- 1) Comics are expected to arrive by their designated call time. If a comic is late and misses the random drawing they may be able to perform but must go first or last and will not be eligible to WIN the contest.
- 2) All comics must be present at the contest for the entire evening to be eligible to win.
- 3) All comics must perform within the allotted 6 minute time limit or they may be disqualified.
- 4) All performers must sign a video release to perform in the contest.

THE PRIZES (ALWAYS LOOKING FOR MORE)

Preliminary Rounds

(Held in the Ice House Annex 8pm show) Each Round is 5 Weeks. 10 Comics per Night (50 Comics per Round)

- 1st place= \$101 CASH prize and a slot in the Soup-Or-Bowl Finals
- 2nd place= \$50 Gift certificate to Louise's Trattoria and a slot in the Soup-Or-Bowl Finals
- 3rd place= Huge Side of French Fries.

Soup-Or-Bowl Finals

6 per year 10 Comics per Night (60 Finalists per year)

ALL FINALISTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE in Clyde's Championship Playoff Week at the end of the year.

- 1st place= Professional Paid Gig in the Ice House Mainroom (Date **TBD**) and other prizes **TBD**.
Automatic entry into a COMEDY FESTIVAL (exact festival **TBD**)
- 2nd place= \$50 Gift certificate to Louise's Trattoria
- 3rd place= Huge Side of French Fries.

Clyde's Championship Playoff Week (60 Finalists)

6 Shows Over the week Thurs-Sunday (Held in the Mainroom)

The winner each show will receive

- 1st place= A slot in The Clyde's Cup Grand Championship Challenge and other prizes **TBD**.
- 2nd place= \$50 Gift certificate to Louise's Trattoria, a slot in The Clyde's Cup Grand Championship Challenge
- 3rd place= Huge Side of French Fries.

The Clyde's Cup Grand Championship Challenge (Held in the Mainroom) ONE NIGHT ONLY

- 1st place= Prizes **TBD**
- 2nd place= Gift certificate to Louise's Trattoria and other prizes **TBD**.
- 3rd place= Huge Side of French Fries.

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TICKETS

Tickets can be reserved and pre-purchased by calling **the H2F Comedy Line 818-754-2663** or on our website at www.ComedyCasting.com Preliminary Round Tickets are only \$8.00 if you make a reservation or \$10.00 at the door. ALL MAINROOM TICKETS are \$14.50 and must be **pre-purchased** by calling the H2F Comedy Productions directly. (NO DISCOUNTS). FINALS TICKETS ALWAYS SELL OUT...SO GET THEM EARLY!!!!

VIDEOTAPING

We tape every show on Mini DV Cam with our Canon GL/2 Broadcast Quality digital video camera. Sound is separated into two channels. **ALL COMICS MUST SIGN A VIDEO RELEASE TO PERFORM IN UNCLE CLYDES COMEDY CONTEST. NO OTHER VIDEOTAPING IS ALLOWED.**

DISCLAIMER

We are always speaking with potential sponsors for the contest, so any and all prizes are subject to change. All decisions relating to Uncle Clyde's Comedy Contest are at the sole discretion of H2F Comedy Productions Inc. and are final and non-disputable. Well, that's Uncle Clyde's Comedy Contest. We really appreciate your support. We are working hard to run a fun and fair contest. If you have any questions please don't hesitate to give us a call.

With Love, Uncle Clyde & Friends

2009 CLYDES CALENDAR

Uncle Clyde's Comedy Contest 2009 Schedule of Show Dates and Times

Auditions for Uncle Clyde's Comedy Contest (60 minutes)

Every Wednesday at 6:30 -7:30 p.m.

The Ice House Annex, 24 N. Mentor Street, Pasadena.

Uncle Clyde's Comedy Contest (90 minutes) WEEKLY Shows

Wednesdays at 8:00p.m.

The Ice House Annex, 24 N. Mentor Street, Pasadena.

Uncle Clyde's Soup-or-Bowl Final (90 minutes)

Every Six Weeks (See Dates Below) at 8:00 p.m.

The Ice House, Main Room, 24 N. Mentor Street, Pasadena.

Round One: Jan. 7th, 14th, 28th, Feb. 4th, 11th
Round Two: Feb. 25th, Mar 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th
Round Three: April 15th, 22nd, 29th, May 6th, 13th
Round Four: June 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, July 1st
Round Five: July 15th, 22nd, 29th, Aug. 5th, 12th
Round Six: Aug. 26th, Sep. 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd

Soup-or-Bowl Final: Thurs, Feb 26th, 2009
Soup-or-Bowl Final: Thurs, April 2nd, 2009
Soup-or-Bowl Final: Tues, May 19th, 2009
Soup-or-Bowl Final: Thurs, July 9th, 2009
Soup-or-Bowl Final: Thurs, Aug 20th, 2009
Soup-or-Bowl Final: Thurs, Oct 1st, 2009

Uncle Clyde's Championship Week Shows (90-100 minutes)

Wed, Oct 7th; Wed, Oct 14th; Wed, Oct 21st; Wed, Oct 28th; Wed, Nov 4th, 2009 at 8 p.m.

Ice House Annex, 24 N. Mentor Street, Pasadena

The Clyde's Cup:

Thursday, Nov. 12th, 2009 at 8:00 p.m.

Ice House Main Room, 24 N. Mentor Street, Pasadena.

SHOW FORMAT (90 -100 Min) ALL SHOWS ARE THE SAME FORMAT

MC - 7 Minutes

5 Comics - 25 Twenty Five Minutes (6 min each comic)

Special Guest - 10 Minutes

5 Comics - 25 Minutes (6 min each comic)

MC - 5 Minutes (Each comic is asked to come back up on stage to take a bow, Meanwhile the voting ballots are being handed out and collected.)

Special Guest - 15-20 Minutes. (Votes are being tallied at this time)

MC - 5 Minutes (Announces Winners)

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