



CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

10012 Old Ocean City Blvd Unit 4  
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410.641.4775  
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### Event Participant Disclosure Form

Adult Category (17+): Cost is \$15.00 Mail Check to above address---we would like to avoid handling payments the day of the event.

Youth: 16 and under: Free

If the participant is under the age of 18 years old, this form must be completed by a legal parent or guardian.

All fees are non-refundable. Our intent is to hold all scheduled events; however, safety is a priority. We will make efforts to cancel with two days' notice if possible. Please visit our website and Facebook for the most up-to-date information on the event or contact us at 410.641.4775 or [info@berlinchamber.org](mailto:info@berlinchamber.org).

By signing below, entertainment acknowledges they have read and understood all parts of this document and the specific event document and agree to abide by all conditions contained within. Any violation may result in forfeiture of space and / or requesting to close and vacate the premises immediately without refund. Berlin, Maryland Chamber of Commerce and the Town of Berlin provides NO insurance coverage extending to any and all entertainment, vendors, vendor employees, volunteers, or attendees.

The entertainer shall hold free and harmless, defend and indemnify the Berlin Maryland Chamber of Commerce and Town of Berlin including its officers, agents, employees, and volunteers free from all liability, penalties, costs, losses, damages, expenses, cause of action, liens for labor, services, or materials, or claims or judgements including attorneys' fees resulting from injury, death of any person or damage to property, loss of income of any kind resulting from participation in the event. This agreement shall apply to any acts or omissions, willful misconduct or negligent conduct, whether active or passive, including acts or omissions of vendor agents, subcontractors, or suppliers. This is not applicable to sole negligence or willful misconduct of Berlin Maryland Chamber of Commerce or Town of Berlin officers, agents, or employees.

Performer Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
If under 18 years of age---parent name and signature

Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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### **Fiddler's Convention Competition Participation Form**

Performer  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Category: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

*Fee Payable by cash or check—invoice emailed will also provide direct ACH link for payment.*

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Office Use: Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Info: \_\_\_\_\_



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### **Category Guidelines:**

**YOUTH:** 16 and under (youth may perform in adult categories, Adults are not permitted, other than as an accompanist, in youth categories)

**ADULT:** 17+ years old

1. **Fiddle** - Contest is for four string, acoustic fiddles only. Standards such as "Listen to the Mockingbird", "Orange Blossom Special" or "Black Mountain Rag" are not allowed
2. **Flatpicking** - Acoustic or Resonator Guitars only
3. **Open Youth** - Open to Fiddle, Banjo, Guitar, Mandolin & Band<sup>1</sup>
4. **Open Adult** - Open to Fiddle, Banjo, Guitar, Mandolin & Band<sup>1</sup>

**NO DRUMS PLEASE**

**NO SIX-STRING BANJO/GUITARS PLEASE**

### **Registration Guidelines**

1. Pre-Registered contestants will have sign-up priority
2. Contestants **MUST** sign in upon arrival at the judges table
3. No contestant is allowed to register after a category is completed
1. Judges are not permitted to enter or perform in any category either as a contestant or an accompanist
4. Contestants must be ready and available to perform when their category is called. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.
5. Tuning, warm-up, rehearsal or any other audible actions **MUST** be done away from the stage, active competitors and any convention audience. Failure to do so will result in disqualification.

### **Performance Guidelines**

2. NO electric or amplified instruments will be permitted in ANY category
  3. NO drums permitted in ANY category
  4. NO Sheet music. Contestants must play from memory.
  5. Contestants performing individually may perform solo or with up to two (2) accompanists. Accompanists **MAY NOT** play melody.
  6. Individual contestants must perform two (2) songs
  7. Band Contestants must be prepared to play three (3) songs
  8. Individual contestants must limit their total performance time to FIVE (5) MINUTES. Excessively exceeding this time limit will result in disqualification.
  9. Band contestants must limit their total performance time to TEN (10) MINUTES. Excessively exceeding this time limit will result in disqualification
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