

First Ever Region 13 Arrangers WorkShop at HCNW

Tag Writing Contest

Preliminary Information July 2018 Update (2 pages)**

PURPOSE

To encourage Barbershoppers of Region 13, Evergreen District and HCNW to get involved with composing and arranging tags for men's, women's and/or mixed voices and freely sharing their tags with fellow Barbershoppers for copying, singing and performing (See ELIGIBILITY section below).

CALENDAR

Announcement of Contest	June 2018 at Arrangers WorkShop and HCNW
Deadline for Entries	January 31, 2019
Judging Panel to determine winners NLT	April 15, 2019
Notification of Winners	May 1, 2019
Recognition of Winners	June 2019 at HCNW

ELIGIBILITY – Barbershoppers of Region 13, Evergreen District and HCNW and Region 13 Arrangers WorkShop at HCNW attendees.

ENTRY FEE – \$5.00 US per tag entered (make check payable to North by Northwest Region 13, mail to Janice Wheeler, PO Box 351, Prineville, OR 97754)

CONTEST CATEGORIES I – VI

- I. **Tag for Female Voices** -- written by Barbershoppers who have published* tags and/or arrangements
- II. **Tag for Female Voices** -- written by Barbershoppers who have **NOT** published tags or arrangements
- III. **Tag for Male Voices** -- written by Barbershoppers who have published* tags and/or arrangements
- IV. **Tag for Male Voices** -- written by Barbershoppers who have **NOT** published tags or arrangements
- V. **Tag for Mixed Voices** -- written by Barbershoppers who have published* tags and/or arrangements
- VI. **Tag for Mixed Voices** -- written by Barbershoppers who have **NOT** published tags or arrangements

*Published means that a publisher (like SAI, BHS or Hal Leonard) has agreed to sell one or more of your tags or arrangements to the public for money.

AWARDS -- 1 Winner per Category with one Category Winner chosen to be the Grand Prize Winner

PRIZES – Cash Prizes funded by North by Northwest Region 13:

Grand Prize Winner \$200.00

Other 5 Category Winners \$ 50.00

Scholarship Assistance for HCNW/Arrangers WorkShop TBD

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

1. Each contestant may submit up to 3 entries, each on an Official Entry Form**.
2. Entries may be submitted by email or by US Postal Service mail (see Official Entry Form/instructions)

3. All submissions must be solely the work of the entrant and based on public domain or original material.
4. Length of tag must be 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 or 14 measures.
5. Entries must be written for 4-part BBS voices and may be submitted either in BBS-style music manuscript format or audio recording. (See separate Suggested Vocal Ranges and Staff Notation**)
6. Entries must be email dated or USPS postmarked by NLT midnight PST January 31, 2019.

JUDGING PANEL -- Paul Olguin, Panel Chair. Panel TBD.

JUDGING CRITERIA

1. **Singability** – Is the tag singable by most barbershop singers (range, tessitura, vocal lines, chord vocabulary)?
2. **Creativity** – Is it more than just the same old chord progressions, lyrics and melodies?
3. **WOW Factor** – Does it make the singer go, “Wow!”?

CONDITIONS

Contestants retain ownership of their tag entries, and agree to publish with the following Creative Commons license when they are declared Winners:

©Copyright 2018 (or 2019) Composer Name
CC-BY-SA 4.0 International
You are free to share and modify.
Just include credit and keep this license with the new version.

This means that you will retain ownership and all rights to the tag, but that you allow others to freely copy, share, and modify the tag so long as they give you credit and attach this same license to any work they create based on your tag. You will not be able to commercialize your tag under this license, but the license will encourage lots of people to share and sing it.

Winners are encouraged to attend 2019 HCNW General Session to be recognized.

Winners agree that their winning tags may be compiled and published at the official web sites and/or official print and digital organs of HCNW, North by Northwest Region 13, and Evergreen District (and if requested, by Sweet Adelines International and Barbershop Harmony Society) to be freely available to all Barbershoppers and Barbershop Organizations at no charge.

All tag entries may be compiled and published at the HCNW web site to be freely available to all Barbershoppers and Barbershop Organizations at no charge.

**Preliminary Information Update, Official Entry Form, and Suggested Vocal Ranges and Staff Notation are available at www.harmonycollege.org and www.sairegion13.org. Final Information, terms, and conditions to be posted at www.harmonycollege.org and www.sairegion13.org on or about August 31, 2018.

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