## BOW ROTARY CLUB OPEN TALENT GUIDELINES

The purpose of our Open Talent Night is to enable the musicians, artists and other performers in our community to share their talents with our friends and neighbors. We welcome all levels of performers, from novice to expert.

## <u>General</u>

- 1. Possible performance categories include, but are not limited to:
  - Poetry
  - Creative/Written Works
  - Musical Offerings (vocal or instrumental)
  - Stand-up Comedy
  - Skits/Theatrical Offerings
  - Dance
- 2. This is a family event and we ask that all performances, and, especially, songs and spoken words be free of profanity, vulgarity or hate language. *Your performance will be terminated if you violate this guideline.*
- 3. We will provide minimal sound equipment (amplifier, speakers, 1-2 mics, cables). We will also provide a stool and a chair. To make sure that you have what you need, plan to bring everything that you will need (including music stands!).

## **Performances**

- 4. The performance will be held at the outside Bandstand at the intersection of Knox, White Rock Hill, Bow Center and Logging Hill Roads. In the event of inclement weather, it will be held inside the Community Center across the street, unless the optional rain date of August 21 is used.
- 5. The performance begins at 6:00pm and is scheduled to end at 8:00 pm.
- 6. Time slots are open now. You may register in advance using the attached application form. If advance registrations do not fill up our schedule, a limited number of performers <u>may</u> register on the evening of the show on a first-come-first-served space-available basis.
- 7. Each performer will be allowed 5 minutes to set up. If you cannot abide by this requirement, you may be denied the right to perform. The faster you set up the happier the audience and your fellow performers will be!
- 8. Each performance time slot is 12 minutes total. To be fair to all performers, we will interrupt your performance if you exceed this guideline.

- 9. When you are finished with your performance, quickly remove your equipment from the Bandstand so that the next performer can begin to set up.
- 10. When you are the next performer, have your instruments out and tuned up, and be ready to take the stage when the performer before you has finished.

## Courtesy & Respect

- 11. Please be quiet and show the same respect for the other performers that you expect to receive during your performance.
- 12. Do not play instruments or talk with others while performers are on stage.
- 13. Applaud for everyone.
- 14. Do not criticize other performers.
- 15. Please remain for the performers who are appearing after your performance. They enjoyed your set, so stay and enjoy theirs as well.
- 16. Be respectful to the venue and the equipment, as if it were your own.

Thanks for being a part of this great event!

Bow Rotary Club