

# Sweet Adelines International's 2009 YouTube.com A Cappella Singing Contest

## Official Rules

### **How to Enter**

No purchase necessary. To enter, go to <http://www.youtube.com/SweetAdelineIntl> (this will change once I create the video) to view **Sweet Adelines International's 2009 YouTube.com A Cappella Singing Contest** video. After you have watched the video and have read the contest rules create your contest video. Once your video is complete post a reply to **Sweet Adelines International's 2009 YouTube.com A Cappella Singing Contest** video and click Upload a Video. Your uploaded contest entry video will automatically enter you into the competition.

Winners of the contest will be determined by whose videos earn the highest number of ratings. Incomplete entries will be disqualified. All entries shall become the property of Sweet Adelines International. Sweet Adelines International is not responsible for lost, misdirected or delayed entries.

### **Contest Rules**

- This contest is open to the general public and is restricted to female contestants.
- One contest entry per contestant will be accepted.
- Any videos submitted that include inappropriate scenes will be disqualified (including nudity, vulgar lyrics or language, sexual intonations, disturbing, violent or gruesome scenes).
- All contest entries must be received between July 20, 2009 and August 21, 2009. Entries received after August 21, 2009 are ineligible.
- All contest video entries must be new uploads to Youtube.com and must be dated between July 20, 2009 and August 21, 2009. Ratings must not be attached to video entries prior to July 20, 2009
- In order to give each entry a fair chance, video ratings will not be tallied until the morning of Tuesday, September 8, 2009 and the winners will be announced that week.
- Contestants must warrant permission from each person included in the submission of her video.
- We must be able to contact each contestant through their Youtube.com account or by e-mail to keep them informed of contest updates and information. We ask that you submit a separate email to membership coordinator, Ann-Marie Dowling at [ann-marie@sweetadelineintl.org](mailto:ann-marie@sweetadelineintl.org) including your name, mailing address, phone number, e-mail address and the name of your contest entry video. Please include how you heard about the contest. All contestant contact information will be kept confidential, will only be used by Sweet Adelines International and will not be distributed to a third party.
- All contest entries must be submitted through the Sweet Adelines International YouTube.com web page. No other forms of entry are eligible.
- No video file format is specified. YouTube.com accepts most video files. As long as your video successfully uploads to YouTube.com it will be accepted.

- All contest videos submitted must include a performance of your natural singing voice without accompanied instruments. The vocalist in the video must appear at some point during the video. Solo and group a cappella performances are accepted.
- The top three winning videos will be determined by the highest number of ratings recorded during the course of the contest.
- Prizes include a \$250 Visa gift card for third place, a \$500 Visa gift card for second place and a \$1000 Visa gift card for first place, which will be awarded to the top three video entries with the highest number of ratings.
- The prize must be accepted as awarded.
- Any winners under the age of 18 must obtain written permission from a parent or legal guardian in order to accept the prize.
- In accepting the prize, the winners acknowledge that Sweet Adelines International may not be held liable for any loss or damages associated with accepting the prize.
- By claiming the prize, winners authorize the use, without additional compensation, of her name, voice, photographs, and comments for any promotional purposes that Sweet Adelines International may deem appropriate.
- The winners will be notified by e-mail (or by phone if that information is available to us) and have up to 14 days to claim the prize. If the selected winner does not claim the prize by phone or by e-mail within 14 days of being selected as the winner of the contest, an alternate winner with the next highest video ratings will be selected until the selected winner replies within 14 days of being selected as the winner of the contest.
- Sweet Adelines International reserves the right to withdraw or terminate this contest at any time without prior notice.

Any further details regarding contest rules, contest entries, contest prize, contest restrictions, etc. are available upon request by contacting [ann-marie@sweetadelineintl.org](mailto:ann-marie@sweetadelineintl.org) at Sweet Adelines International headquarters.