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Celebrating Life 2009

A Lyrics Contest

After the resounding success of 2008, The Daily Star & Standard Chartered Celebrating Life: A Film, Photography and Lyrics Contest is set to take off again. Back by popular demand, Celebrating Life 2009 is going to be bigger and better then ever. What is more, after the overwhelming response we received last year, we are going to make sure that an annual Celebrating Life festival is a regular fixture in the cultural landscape of the nation.

This year we shall be asking the participants to direct their creative energy towards showcasing women from all walks of lives in Bangladesh. The lyrics contest section of celebrating life 2009 is inviting entries under the theme "Celebrating Womanhood: Maa".

What You Need to Know About the Lyrics Contest

The lyrics contest shall be motivating young lyricists and poets to write under the theme "Celebrating Womanhood: Maa". Entries can be in both English and Bengali, and participants can submit a maximum of three entries per person.

A jury board composed of eminent personalities/experts in the field will judge the submissions, amongst which ten winners will be selected in two categories – five for "English Lyrics", and five for "Bengali Lyrics", who will receive certificates, crests and cash prizes. The winning entries in either category will receive Tk. 15,000 each; the 1st runner's up entries in either category will receive Tk. 10,000 and the 2nd runner's up entries in either category will receive Tk. 7,000. The rest of the ten winners, 4th and 5th, in either category will receive Tk. 3,000 each. Lyrics should be submitted in the form of computer printed hard copies. No submission can be returned to the participant.

Renowned music directors and artists will compose songs based on the winning lyrics, and young and veteran singers will give voice to the songs. These songs will be featured on CDs.

The prize-winning songs will also be featured in a district level festival all around Bangladesh.

All winning lyrics will become the property of The Daily Star and Standard Chartered and the organizers will gain rights over any form of usage.

Rules and Regulations:

1. How to submit: All entries must reach the Daily Star office by 30th June 2009. No entries will be accepted after the last date of submission.
2. Write your name, address, email address and cell phone number clearly in block letters on the envelope and on the back of each submission. Please ensure that all contact information is written on both the CD/DVD Cover and the CD/DVD itself.
3. Please retain a copy with yourself. No entries will be returned to the participant.
4. The results will be published in The Daily Star after the Awards Giving Ceremony. Keep reading the leading English daily!
5. Any form of canvassing is strictly prohibited. Any such activity will result in immediate disqualification. Please go through our website for more information about the contest. If you have any queries, please send it to us through our website, and we will respond as soon as possible.
6. Participants of the Film contest are allowed to participate in the photography and lyrics contests of Celebrating Life 2009
7. There is no age limit. Any Bangladeshi citizen or any foreigner residing in Bangladesh is eligible.
8. No submission can be returned to the participant.

The last date of submission is 30th June 2009

Address your entries/submissions to:

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