



2024

# BATTLE OF THE BLUEGRASS CONTEST RULES





**KAA BATTLE OF THE BLUEGRASS  
OPEN BID CALLING CHAMPIONSHIP  
AUGUST 16-17, 2024 KENTUCKY STATE FAIR  
KENTUCKY STATE FAIR GROUNDS, LOUISVILLE, KY  
PAY OUT \$10,000**

1. OPEN TO ALL AUCTIONEERS OVER 18 who can legally serve as an auctioneer in their state of residence. Limited to 50 Contestants. No Interview.
2. Entry Fee: \$200 if entry is submitted and paid completely by Midnight 7/31/2024. After 7/31/24 entry will be \$300. Contestants will provide three items to be sold in the Preliminary Round. The aggregate sales total for the three items should be a minimum of \$300.00. Per Kentucky State Law your item cannot be Alcohol.
3. Welcome Meeting of all contestants will be at the host Hotel on Friday 8/16/2024 prior to the contest. The time will be determined closer to the date. We would like all Contestants to attend and bring a LIST of the items you will be selling (do not bring your physical items) and check them in with Cali or Amber Friday Night.
4. DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS Tuesday August 6, 2024. No entries will be accepted after this date. Entries can be sent without payment, but will not be valid unless payment is received on or before Tuesday August 6, 2024. The contest is limited to the first 50 paid entries for the Bid Calling Contest. After you have paid, we will reach out to get a short bio and headshot to use for the booklet.
6. The Top 10 (Based on Preliminary Round point) will compete in a Finals Round. Finalists will sell two items, which will be provided by the Kentucky Auctioneers Association.
7. All Contestants will compete together with no separate divisions. Contestants will be judged according to the Bluegrass Open Bid Calling Championship scorecard criteria. The decision of the judges is final. There will be 5 Championship/Industry-Leading Judges for the Bid Calling contest.
8. The competition order for the preliminary rounds will be randomly generated by electronic means. The competition order for the Finals will be drawn by the Battle of the Bluegrass Committee.



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9. The scores will start new in the Finals Round. Preliminary Round scores will be used only to determine the top 10 contestants advancing to the Final's Round. Preliminary Tie Breaker (1st) Best Score in Bid Calling Category, (2nd) Best Score Overall Impression Category. FINALS Tie Breaker (1st) Highest Total Preliminary Score, (2nd) Highest Finals Score in Bid Calling Category. Winners will be announced at the end of the day after all contests are complete.

10. Contestants will be videoed and live-streamed. Contestants authorize, without compensation, use of any and all Video, Internet, Audio, Photos, etc. as footage for promotional use by the Kentucky Auctioneers Association at this and any future events. Any revisions or changes announced on the day of the contest will take precedence over any printed material.

11. The Kentucky Auctioneers Association Bluegrass Bid Calling/Ringman Championships Committee or Authorized Designee will set the sound system and may adjust to benefit the contest.

12. ATTIRE: Professional/Professional Western

13. The Kentucky Auctioneers Association Bluegrass Bid Calling/Ringman Championship Committee reserves the right to accept or reject any Contestant's entry into the contest.



KAA BATTLE OF THE BLUEGRASS OPEN  
RINGMAN CHAMPIONSHIP  
AUGUST 17, 2024 KENTUCKY STATE FAIR  
KENTUCKY STATE FAIR GROUNDS, LOUISVILLE, KY  
JACKPOT FORMAT  
CONTEST RULES

1. OPEN TO ALL RING PERSONS 18 AND OVER. Limited to 50 Contestants.
2. Entry Fee: \$150 with Contestants providing 3 Items to sell at auction in the preliminary round. The aggregate item value and consequent combined sales total should be a minimum of \$200.00. Per KY State Law No Item can be Alcohol.
3. DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS August 17, 2024 by 09:30am. This is a Jackpot type contest. The payout will depend on the number of entries in the contest. All the entry money for this contest will be paid back out as follows. 10 entries or less Winner takes all. 10-20 Contestants Winner gets 90%, Reserve gets 10%. 20-30 Contestants Winner gets 80%, Reserve gets 20%. 30-40 Contestants winner gets 70%, Reserve gets 30%. 40-50 Contestants Winner gets 60% Reserve gets 40%. Champion and Reserve will receive a Buckle. Winners will be announced at the end of the day after all contests are complete. After you have paid, we will reach out to get a short bio and headshot to use for the booklet.
4. The Welcome Meeting of all contestants will be at the host Hotel on Friday 8/16/2024 prior to the contest. The time will be determined closer to the date.  
We would like all Contestants to attend and bring a LIST of the items you will be selling (do not bring your physical items) and check them in with Cali or Amber Friday Night.
5. Ringman Contestants can choose the Auctioneer they want to sell for them as they compete.
6. Top 10 (Based on Preliminary Round points) will compete in the Finals Round. Finalists will sell two items which will be provided by the Kentucky Auctioneers Association. Order for the Finals will be made by draw conducted by the Battle of the Bluegrass Committee. For 5 or less entries no finals, for 10 or less entries 3 finalists, 15 or less entries 5 finalists, 20 entries and above we will bring back the top 10.



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7. All Contestants will compete in the open contest with no separate divisions. Contestants will be judged according to the Bluegrass Open Ringman Championship scorecard criteria. The decision of the judges is final. There will be 5 qualified Championship Judges for the Ringman Contest. Winners will be announced at the end of the day when all contests are complete.

8. A mandatory meeting of all contestants will be held at 10:30 AM on the day of the contest.

9. All auction Items must be checked in by 10:00 AM on contest day.

10. The scores will start new in the finals round. Preliminary round scores will be used only to determine the top 10 contestants who qualify for the final round (10 Finalist based on number of total entries into Ringman Contest) Preliminary Tie Breaker (1st) Best Score in the Ringman Category, (2nd) Best Score in the Overall Impression Category. FINALS Tie Breaker (1st) Highest Total preliminary round score, (2nd) 2nd Highest Score in the Preliminary round.

11. Contestant's performances will be videoed and live streamed. Contestants authorize, without compensation, use of any and all video, Internet, audio, photos, etc. as marketing material for promotional use by the Kentucky Auctioneers Association, Inc at this and any future event. Any revisions or changes announced on the day of the contest will take precedence over any printed material.

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CAA BATTLE OF THE BLUEGRASS  
FFA/4H YOUTH BID CALLING CHAMPIONSHIP  
8/17/24 KENTUCKY STATE FAIR GROUNDS  
KENTUCKY STATE FAIR, LOUISVILLE, KY  
CONTEST RULES

1. OPEN TO ALL ASPIRING AUCTIONEERS 18 and Under Non-licensed- Limited to 25 Contestants. No Interview.
2. Entry Fee: Contestants will provide 2 Items to be sold, the aggregate sales total should be a minimum of \$100. The Champion will receive a \$500 and Trophy Buckle, the Reserve Champion will receive a \$250 and Trophy Buckle. After paying your entry fee, you will be sent an email requesting a headshot and short bio to be included in the booklet.
3. Contestants will sell the 2 items they provide for this single-run contest.
4. All Contestants will compete together with no separate divisions. Contestants will be judged according to the Battle of the Bluegrass Bid Calling Championship scorecard criteria. The decision of the judges is final. There will be 5 Championship/industry-leading judges.
5. The selling order of contestants will be established by random draw during the mandatory meeting at 10:30 am the day of the contest. All Items must be checked in by 10:00 am. Contestants who do not check in by 10:00 am Saturday will be ineligible.
6. Welcome Meeting of all contestants will be at the host Hotel on Friday 8/16/2024 prior to the contest. The time will be determined closer to the date. We would like all Contestants to attend and bring a LIST of the items you will be selling (do not bring your physical items) and check them in with Cali or Amber Friday Night.
7. Contestants will be judged on the following categories (1st) Best Score in Bid Calling Category, (2nd) Best Score Overall Impression Category. Tiebreaker: If there is a tie, we will bring the contestants back to sell 1 item provided by the Kentucky Auctioneers Association the highest score in the categories above will be declared the winner. All winners will be announced at the end of the day when all contests are complete.



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