

Mount of Angels – Battle of the Bands

Angels Art Jam 2026 – Official Rules & Information

1. Eligibility:

- Open ONLY to youth bands with members under 18 years old. This event is designed to provide a venue for youth artists to showcase their talent. While we love our adult musicians, this show is only for those under 18.
- Bands must have at least 2 members. There is no maximum size. However, due to the limitations of the stage and venue, any group with more than eight (8) members must reach out to us for special assistance and booking.
- All music performed must be the band's own original work or legally allowed cover with proper credit. We will have a blanket license for the venue, but we will still need your set list prior to the show to make sure there are no issues. All bands MUST perform ONLY the songs provided to us from their set list.
- Bands must reside in Los Angeles County or surrounding areas.

2. Submission Guidelines:

- *Each band must submit:*
 - One (1) audio or video demo (phone recording is fine).
 - Band name, member names & ages, and a brief description of your style.
- Submissions are accepted via our website.
- NO AI-generated music or vocals – at all. This is not an AI show.
- Music must be appropriate for all audiences (no explicit content; clean versions only, see below). **We reserve the right to reject any song choice.**

3. Music Requirements:

- Bands may perform one or two songs, total stage time 5–8 minutes.
- Songs can be:
 - Original music
 - Clean covers
- No backing tracks except for ambient intros or sound effects. Live instrumentation and vocals required. We want live music not signing over recorded tracks.
- All gear must be safe and functional. We will have certain gear available for use by all bands. Please provide us with a list of any gear you will need when you register so we can confirm we have it.
- NO profanity. This is a family event and while we appreciate that art comes in all forms, and music is sometimes used to convey anger, frustration, pain, etc., we have to make this event safe for all guests, so we ask that you remove any profane lyrics. If you are not sure about a particular song, please ask us.

4. Submission Deadline:

- All submissions must be received by February 15, 2026.
- Registration MAY close before the above deadline if all spaces are filled.
- Late entries cannot be accepted as we need to setup the run of show, etc.
- IF the deadline is extended, updates will be posted on our website and social media.

5. Selection & Performance:

- A panel of youth artists will review all entries. We will make our best effort to accommodate all entries into the show, time permitting.
- Selected bands will perform live during the Battle of the Bands segment of Angels Art Jam.
- Our goal is to include as many bands as possible within the event schedule. However, registration is not a guarantee of performance and the ultimate decision on whether a band will perform is up to Mount of Angels.
- Performances will be held at **Boomtown Brewery** on **March 22, 2026**.

6. Judging & Prizes:

- Winners will be determined by public voting during the event.
 1. First Place: Studio Recording Session + Professional photo shoot.
 2. Second Place: \$500 Gift Card (store to be determined)
 3. Third Place: \$250 Gift Card (store to be determined)
- All participating bands will receive recognition, be featured on our website, and be included in the program.

7. Equipment & Technical Info:

- Provided by Mount of Angels:
 - Drum kit
 - Guitar & bass amps
 - Vocal mics
 - Stage monitors
 - Basic lighting & sound engineer
- Bands may bring personal gear, however, any special gear that will take more than a few minutes to set up must be cleared in advance. Any special equipment must be arranged in advance. Quick changeover between bands is required.

8. Usage Rights:

- By participating, bands grant Mount of Angels permission to use performance footage and photos for promotional purposes. Bands grant Mount of Angels a limited license to broadcast and use their performance on its website, social media, and in promotional materials.
- Bands retain ownership of their music.

9. Fees:

- There is **NO FEE** to participate. As with all Mount of Angels events, our goal is to entirely eliminate barriers to participation in the arts for all youth. All bands must register through our website.

10. Liability:

- All bands participating in person at Art Jam agree to assume the risk of all injury and damage, including damage to their equipment, and injury to band members or crew. Mount of Angels shall not be liable for any injury or damage sustained before, during or after the performance.

11. Contact Information:

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