



## **Cookies, Cocktails & Crazy Sweaters Contest Official Rules**

Competition Dates: Every Monday from Monday, November 18, 2019 through Monday, December 23, 2019

Presented by the Cathedral City Gay Business Association

### **Cathedral City Gay Business Association Mission (CCGBA)**

CCGBA serves to support and promote LGBTQ and allied businesses for the advancement of economic development and increased tourism in Cathedral City, California.

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#### **GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. NO PURCHASE NECESSARY TO ENTER THE COMPETITION. Free entry.
2. Decisions by judges are final.
3. Contestant must be 21 years of age or older.
4. Contestant(s) shall sign-in at or near the DJ Booth to participate in the Cookies, Cocktails and Crazy Sweaters Contest. Once signed-in, you will receive a number from the coordinator. That number will be the order of the contestants for the contest that evening. If your number is called by the host and you do not come to the stage, then you forfeit your opportunity to participate that evening unless a majority of the judges excuse your absence.
5. Five judges each week will evaluate the contestants and score each contestant from 1 to 10 points (1 being the least, 10 being the most). Each contestant will receive a weekly score between 5 to 50 points from the five judges.
6. Three judges will be selected as a representative from KGAY 106.5 FM, GED Magazine, and a Community Stakeholder determined by CCGBA board members. Two audience judges will be randomly selected by the Host Angelique VaGorgeous or in her absence, official score keeper Chris Parman.
7. Date, time, location, and weekly theme of competition:

Week 1: Monday, November 18, 2019, 7pm, Trunks - Cathedral City, 36737 Cathedral Canyon Dr.

Week 2: Monday, November 25, 2019, 7pm, The Roost Lounge, 68718 E Palm Canyon Dr.

Week 3: Monday, December 2, 2019, 7pm, The Barracks Bar, 67625 E. Palm Canyon Dr.

Week 4: Monday, December 9, 2019, 7pm, Studio One Eleven, 67555 E. Palm Canyon Dr.

Week 5: Monday, December 16, 2019, 7pm, The Runway, 68300 Gay Resort Dr.

Week 6 – The Finals: Monday, December 23, 2019, 7 pm, AMP Sports Lounge, 68718 E. Palm Canyon Dr.

8. Contestant must be ready to participate by the start of the weekly competition at 7 pm.
9. Once the Judges have scored each contestant, the Top 10 or less (if the total number of contestants is less than 10) contestants with highest judges' scores will compete in the "audience favorite" category. "Audience Favorite" is determined by the contestant who gets the loudest decibel rating by the audience when they call that person's name or number and the audience cheers, whistles, claps, and/or yells for the contestant they like the most. The contestant who gets the loudest support determined by a decibel reading wins the "audience favorite" award with 10 extra points.
10. Each week, a winner will be chosen on the total points received during that weekly contest. The contestant with the most points given that week wins. The weekly winner will receive a prize package worth \$250 that includes \$100 cash and \$150 store credit at the location of the weekly competition. The \$150 store credit is not valid on "Happy Hour" prices or any other special offer or discounted price. The \$150 store credit is good for up to one year. In case of tie, the audience will determine the weekly winner through the same process as the "audience favorite" where the contestant who receives the highest decibel rating wins. Their photo, name, and title of weekly winner(s) will appear on the Festival Lawn electronic billboard for one week.
11. A contestant who wins a qualifying week cannot participate in any more qualifying weeks until the "Finals Week" on Monday, December 23, 2019 at AMP Sports Lounge (see above – Week 6).
12. At "Finals Week" the five previous weekly winners will compete for the Winner of the 2019 Cookies, Cocktails and Crazy Sweater Contest. Contestants may wear the outfit that won one of the previous weeks or can wear an entirely new outfit. The Finals Week competition will proceed similar to the Qualifying Weeks competitions.
13. The overall winner of the contest will be the contestant who received the most points during "Finals Week" competition.
14. The Cookies, Cocktails and Crazy Sweaters Overall Contest Winner (the winner of Finals Week) will receive a prize package worth \$600, which includes a \$50 store credit at the participating competition locations on a rotating basis for one year. The monthly \$50 store credit is valid for only that month stamped on the certificate. (For example, if the certificate reads \$50 store credit at The Roost Lounge in January 2020, then the certificate value can only be used at The Roost and only in January 2020.) The \$50 store credit is not valid on "Happy Hour" prices or any other special offer or discounted price.

**OBLIGATION OF THE COMPETITION WINNER, The winner must:**

1. Participate in the Cathedral City Bed Race as a rider on Saturday, March 28, 2019 starting at 10:00 am located at 68-700 Avenida Lalo Guerrero, Cathedral City.

**WAIVER AGREEMENT**

I am participating in the Cookies, Cocktails and Crazy Sweater Contest (the "Event") hosted by the Cathedral City Gay Business Association and sponsored by the City of Cathedral City, Altman Real Estate (CCBC Resort Hotel & The Runway Restaurant), Cathedral City The Roost, Inc., AMP Sports Lounge, Trunks 3 LLC (Trunks Cathedral City), The Barracks Bar, Murchison & Holdings II LLC, Studio Bar LLC (Studio One 11), KGAY 106.5FM, Gay Desert Guide, Rage Monthly, DDG Palm Springs Weekly, and GED Mag.com, beginning on November 18, 2019 and ending on December 23, 2019. In consideration for my participation in the event and with full understanding of the risk involved, I agree to indemnify, release, defend, and hold harmless the owner(s) of the property on which the Event occurs and the City of Cathedral City and Official Sponsors, including its employees, agents, officials, officers, and event producers from any and all claims, demands, actions, damages, or liabilities of any kind arising out of, or in connection with, my participation in the Event, whether or not caused in whole or in part by the negligence of such

officers, directors, employees, agents, event producers, sponsors, and volunteers, which occurs during or as a result of my participation in any of the events and activities held in connection and/or under the direction of the above-referenced entities.

I also consent to video, social media posts and photographs to be taken of me for use in future Cookies, Cocktails and Crazy Sweater and/or any promotion of event publicity and I understand that I will not receive any compensation for such use.

I also agree that in the event any provision of this Liability Waiver and Release is declared or determined by any court to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the validity of the remaining parts, terms, or provisions shall remain in full force and effect.

I also agree to obey by the rules and regulations put forth by the Event Coordinators of the Cookies, Cocktails and Crazy Sweaters. I fully understand that the title of the competition is for publicity and is not intended to encourage the consumption of cookies or cocktails. Please drink and eat responsibly.

A WAIVER form is required to be signed by all contestants prior to the first term of participation or performance. Signed waiver forms are to be submitted anytime up to the first participation or performance in person.

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