

THE BIBLE SOCIETY OF MALAWI

ByB TALENT COMPETITION



COMPETITION REGISTRATION ENTRY

Individuals section (fill the section below if you intend to contest as a solo artist)

NAME	
AGE/...../..... (DD/MM/YY)
CONTACT NO.	
CONTEST CITY	Bt <input type="checkbox"/> LL <input type="checkbox"/> Zomba <input type="checkbox"/> Mzuzu <input type="checkbox"/>
EMAIL ADDRESS	
PARENTS/GUARDIAN NAME	

Groups section (fill the section below if you intend to contest as a group)

NAME OF THE GROUP/TEAM	
AGE RANGE	
NO. OF PERFORMERS	
CONTACT NUMBER	
CONTEST CITY	Bt <input type="checkbox"/> LL <input type="checkbox"/> Zomba <input type="checkbox"/> Mzuzu <input type="checkbox"/>
EMAIL ADDRESS	

Competition category		DEADLINE OF ENTRY SUBMISSION	Competition schedule	
Poetry	<input type="checkbox"/>	Music (hip-hop/contemporary) <input type="checkbox"/>	4 May, 2018	26 May – September, 2018
Scripture recital	<input type="checkbox"/>	Dance <input type="checkbox"/>		
Drama	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Competition rules and regulations

Entry requirements

- ▶ Participants should be residents of Malawi and 15 to 25 years of age. All participants are required to send an identification as proof of age.
- ▶ Registration forms will be collected from and submitted to Bible Society of Malawi Head office in Blantyre and Regional offices in Lilongwe and Mzuzu, Youth District Coordinators, and on BSM Website (www.biblesociety-malawi.org) & facebook page.

- ▶ Submit a brief biography of yourself and your experience in arts if any. Words should not exceed 200 and not less than 100. Information collected from you will be for administrative records and may be used during the competition.
- ▶ Submit as an attachment to the biography high resolution photo. These pictures may be used during performances.
- ▶ Bible Society of Malawi reserves the right to record, video, and photograph any performance for promotional purposes, with no claim for proceeds, compensation, or any ownership by the performer. Bible Society of Malawi retains ownership of all recordings, videos, and photographs produced during this event.
- ▶ By entering this competition, participants agree to accept and be bound by the decisions of Bible Society of Malawi ByB Organizers which will be final and binding in all matters.
- ▶ All entrants will automatically be considered members of Bible Society of Malawi and will be called upon from time to time to engage with the Society.
- ▶ Bible Society of Malawi has the right to reject any application for any reasons at its singular and absolute discretion.
- ▶ Bible Society of Malawi has the right to change dates, times and locations without consulting the contestants.

Eligibility

- ▶ Participants must be residents of Malawi and should be 15 years to 25 years of age.
- ▶ Competition is confined to amateurs. Professional teams/individuals are not permitted to participate. A professional who directs drama, dance or musical group, may not participate in his/her own team.
- ▶ A member can double as a solo artist and perform in a group. A member cannot however double in two groups/teams.
- ▶ All participants shall sign and agree to a terms and conditions document prior to the start of the competition.

Rules

- ▶ ByB is a national wide event. The competition will take place at a I. City and II. National level.
- ▶ City level will have four phases: Preliminary, quarter- final, Semi-final and final phase. The National level will have three phases: Quarter-final, Semi-final and final phase.
- ▶ Participants will be evicted at every phase of the competition. Preliminary phase will have 100 participants, Quarter final 60, Semi-final 40 and finals 20. Three of the 5 finalists from each category will proceed to the national level
- ▶ Performance should be completely individuals/ groups own creation with exception for dance. Participants in dance category are allowed to use gospel music done by others with the necessary scripture content required at a particular phase
- ▶ Musical performance will be live (no use of a CD or any pre-recorded music). However, participants are allowed to use already produced instrumentals.

- ▶ All performances should be scripture based with Preliminary phase 50% quarter final phase 65% semi-final phase 80% and final phase 95%
- ▶ Participants will showcase a new act at every level of the competition.
- ▶ Three judges per City will be responsible for issuing scores to participants based on talent and satisfaction of the competition requirements. The judge's decision is final.
- ▶ Participants who argue, display intentions to or bribe a judge will automatically be disqualified from the competition.
- ▶ To enhance a level playground, each category will be judged as a standalone.
- ▶ To achieve maximum and effective participation, a group shall not exceed 10 members upon registration.
- ▶ Performance is limited to 8 minutes for any other act except for drama which is 10 minutes for the Preliminary to semi-final and 15 minutes for the final phase.
- ▶ Performance can either be in English or any vernacular language
- ▶ Recital category will have a maximum of 10 scriptural recitals in 10 minutes
- ▶ Attire, image, and content must suit a particular act.
- ▶ Participants will provide Bible Society of Malawi with feedback of the competition through website, letter, phone calls or a personal visit to the offices.

Participant name (individual) _____

or Group _____

	Points possible	Points awarded	Comments
Scripture content	50		
Originality (own work/ not)	50		
Presentation & showmanship (Confidence, Poise, stage management, Voice projection, gestures, enjoyment)	30		
Talent (look at skill)	40		
Costume (appropriate to the act)	10		
Audience reception	10		
Entertainment value	20		
Total			

Sample of judging score sheet

- ▶ To show commitment, responsibility and ownership, BSM youth department encourage participants to organize their own transportation to and fro competition venues unless otherwise please inform the Youth Coordinator in advance.

Awards

- ▶ City level: Participants in preliminary phase will receive Good News Bible as a consolation prize. Participants in quarter finals will receive "Be the Best you can be" booklets. Semis will receive a "CEV/ youth Bibles" "What is the Bible" and "Be the Best you can be" booklet. Winners: position 1, 2 & 3 in every category will qualify for the national completion will receive MK 45,000- 1st, MK 30,000 2nd MK 30,000, & 3rd Mk 20,000.

- ▶ National level:

Individuals: #1 Laptop computer, record deal & a Bible

2 Smart phone, a record deal & a Bible

Groups: #1 Gold Trophy, record deal & Bibles

#2 Bronze trophy, record deal & Bibles

Approvals:

Name: Signature:

Date: