LETTER OF INVITATION

November 15, 2016

Dear Sir/Ma'am:

Greetings, we are excited to announce that we are having our **1st Annual Christmas Carol Smack-Down Competition** on December 15, 2016 at 5:30pm in the Rio West Mall. We would like to invite your choir/group to join in on the fun. This is a great opportunity for you to showcase your talent and skills and most of all have fun! There is no fee to enter and it will be a "People's Choice" competition, which means the crowd will pick the winners, so make sure you tell your fans and supporters to be there to root for you and cheer as loud as they can. Trophies will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place.

To participate in the Christmas Carol Smack-Down Competition please submit the completed form below to our office via fax, email, or mail by December 14, 2016. For additional information please call our office at 505-722-7281 and ask for Ida, Anita or Shawna or email: ida.mangum@riowestmall.com, anita.artalejo@riowestmall.com, or shawna.norton@riowestmall.com.

Christmas Carol Smack-Down Competition Registration Form

Choir/Group Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

*(initial here)*_____ I have read and agree to the attached guidelines.

INDEMNITY

The undersigned will abide by all the rules policies and procedures as set forth by Rio West Mall. The undersigned agrees that she/he will be responsible for any loss or damage to his/her equipment/goods or for any personal injury of any persons in their group during the course of the Christmas Carol Smack-Down Competition and releases the Rio West Mall, property owners, its direct and indirect parents and subsidiaries any of their affiliated entities, successors, any current or future director, management company, officer, employee, partner, member or agent, Mall Security and the property owners of said buildings from any claim whatsoever there from. It is further agreed that the undersigned will hold harmless and release the Rio West Mall and its owners, management companies and their employees including Mall Security from any civil liability hereunder regardless of the nature, cause, or extent thereof.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

COMPETITION GUIDELINES & INFORMATION

Please READ thoroughly and call our office if you need further information.

NO ENTRY FEE.

Sponsor/host: Rio West Mall Management is the sponsor & host of this event and holds this event with the intent of family holiday fun. No professional choir competition rules and regulations will be used.

Eligibility: The competition is open to all choirs and/or groups of any age group. Limited to the first ten choirs/groups that sign up.

Requirements: Each choir/group is required to sing their rendition of the pre-selected songs below and perform in the finale. Competitors are required to maintain the highest ethical standards and practices. Each choir/group must turn in a completed registration form.

Instruments: Sponsors will provide base half stack, keyboard and a 5-drum set. Competitors are not allowed to bring their own instruments but may use the ones provided by Rio West Mall, if they chose.

Competition Format: The competition will be a 10 team double elimination bracket and will be in battle style format where each choir/group is given 90 seconds to perform their rendition of a pre-selected song *(songs listed below)*. Choirs/groups that make it to the final rounds will sing a complete song of their choice. There will be two choirs/groups on stage at a time with an emcee directing the choirs/groups and the audience. Instrument use is optional.

Selection of Winners: The event audience will determine the winners. The choir and/or group with the best crowd appeal will be chosen. Winners will be announced the evening of the event.

Prize: The prize winners will receive 1st, 2nd & 3rd place trophies

Songs:

Rounds 1-6 will be 90 second renditions of:

Silent Night, Little Drummer Boy, Do You Hear What I Hear, Joy to the World, Away in the Manger, Deck the Halls, Oh Holy Night, Sleigh Ride, White Christmas, Rudolph the Red Nose Reindeer, Little Town of Bethlehem, Frosty the Snowman, Let It Snow

Rounds 7, 8, 9 for 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place choir will sing a complete song of their choice.

Grand Finale- Each choir/group will sing the traditional “Mary Did You Know?” together as an appreciation for the audience.