

# 2018 Atlanta Improv Festival

## BATTLE RULES

1. The Atlanta Improv Festival BATTLE is an IMPROV COMEDY only show:
  - a. You are not allowed to perform any pre-planned ideas, scripts or sketches
  - b. Violation of rule 1 of any kind will be an automatic lose.
2. Matches will be made up of three teams competing in one hour-long show.
3. Prize Money
  - a. Prize money will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> place
  - b. Prize money will be as follows
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup> Place = \$1,000
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place = \$300
    - iii. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place = \$100
4. Teams must have a minimum of 2 performers and a maximum of 8 performers
  - a. If you are missing the minimum number of performers you may ask the team/group, you are performing against to go second or third to give your group extra time for performers to arrive.
  - b. It is at the other groups/team's discretion to allow the switch.
    - i. Both teams must agree to the switch.
  - c. If a team does not have the minimum number of people at the time of the show and the teams they are performing against do not allow a switch this will be considered a Forfeit and said team will receive only third place points and must still perform.
5. Team rosters must be sent to the Village Theatre prior to March 15
  - a. Rosters may have up to 8 performers
    - i. NO ALTERNATES
  - b. You MUST list your experience on the roster for every team member
  - c. Participants can only be on maximum of two teams in the league
  - d. Participants **CAN NOT** compete against themselves in any shows
  - e. Participants must designate a team that they consider their "Home Team" on their roster form
  - f. If a participant does not designate a "home team" one will be assigned to you by League Officials

- g. A “Home Team” designation means this is the team that you will perform with if you go head to head with another team you are on.
  - h. **AGAIN NO ONE WILL PERFORM AGAINST A TEAM THEY ARE ON!!!**
6. NO ONE IS ALLOWED GUEST PERFORMERS or Guest Monologists
    - a. All Performers must be on the team roster
    - b. You may pick a random person or people from the audience to help you throughout the show.
      - i. Any random person or people picked from the audience to help with your set may not be on stage or part of the show for more than 5 minutes
  7. NO TEAM WILL BE GRANTED A TECH REHEARSAL
  8. All teams must arrive 45 minutes before their first show
    - a. 30 minutes prior to each show after the first round
  9. No team will be given comp tickets – NO EXCEPTIONS
  10. Each team will be given up to 20 minutes onstage
    - a. You can close your set early but each set must be a minimum of 15 minutes
    - b. If you end your set before 15 minutes you will have 3 points deducted from your totally show score for every minute you end early.
    - c. At 20 minutes if the team/group performing does not end their set the Tech Crew will kill the lights and sound at 20 minutes
  11. The order in which teams perform will be determined by the roll of die. The house manager on-duty and AIF representative will watch as one representative from each team rolls a die to determine the order in which teams pick their slot for the show. The representative with the highest role picks their slot FIRST.
  12. The group or team performing the first set in each show will be given the courtesy of having the backstage area cleared 10 minutes prior to the start of the show
  13. We ask that all groups/teams performing respect each other and do not disrupt another group/teams set
  14. VOTING
    - a. Each paying customer who has purchased a ticket for the show or a night pass, or weekend pass will be eligible to vote as long as they attend the entire show.

- b. NO ONE WILL BE GIVEN A BALLOT ONCE THE FIRST GROUP INTRODUCES THEMSELVES ON THE STAGE TO START THEIR SET.
  - c. One Ballot per person per show
    - i. You cannot buy multiple tickets to a show and vote multiple times
    - ii. Actors / performers are not eligible to buy tickets and receive a ballot to any AIF TOURNMENT SHOW
      - 1. The rule 4bii only affects teams still in the AIF TOURNMENT SHOW MATCH Competition
  - d. Each paying customer will be given a ballot at the beginning of each show.
  - e. CUSTOMERS WILL VOTE FOR 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup> PLACE IN EACH SHOW. NO TIES WILL BE ACKNOWLEDGED
  - f. SCORING FOR EACH PLACE WILL BE AS FOLLOWS:
    - i. 1<sup>st</sup> Place will receive 3 POINTS
    - ii. 2<sup>nd</sup> Place will receive 2 POINTS
    - iii. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place will receive 1 POINT
  - g. You can only vote for the show you attend
  - h. Ballots will be collected at the end of the show and placed in the ballot box at the exit of the theatre
  - i. Winners will be announced within an hour of the last vote cast
15. Any violation of the rules will be brought to the attention of the AIF TOURNMENT SHOW Commissioner onsite and His/her decision will be FINAL