QILAUT INUKTUT SONGWRITING CONTEST SHORT FORM

RULES For Official Contest Rules please visit: **www.gov.nu.ca**

BASICS:

- Any Nunavut resident may enter the Contest.
- A group of songwriters may enter the Contest, but only one of them can submit it to the contest.
- Non-Nunavut residents may enter if they are a part of a song-writing team with at least one (1) Nunavut resident.
- Your song must be in at least 90% of any Inuktut dialect.
- Fill out an entry form, give us a copy of your song and a copy of the lyrics, and make sure we have them by 11:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on January 11, 2024.
- A CD of the winning songs will be released during *Uqausirmut Quviasuutiqarniq*, the annual celebration of Inuktut, which is held in February every year.
- Your odds of winning depend on the number of entries we receive, and the quality of the other entries received.

WHO?

- Persons 19 years or older may enter; but, if you are under 19 years of age you may enter, provided your parent or legal guardian consents. Consent from a parent or guardian must be obtained for all members of a song-writing team who are under 19.
- You or your team can enter as many times as you like, but each song you submit must be entered separately from the others.
- Both beginner and professional musicians may enter!

WHAT?

- There are a total of 10 Cash Prizes to be won, ranging from $500.00 to $5,000.00!
- First Place Prize is $5,000. Second Place Prize is $2,500. Third Place Prize is $1,500. Seven other prizes will be awarded each valued at $500 each.
- If your song is selected, you will have to sign a form that lets us announce you (and, if applicable, your team) as a contest winner.
- You will also be asked to sign a Licensing Agreement that enables us to record your song, include it, and distributed it on our CD.

WHERE?

- Entry forms can be found at **www.gov.nu.ca** or find entry forms at your local GN office. You should fill out the form, give us a copy of the song on a CD or USB stick as well as a copy of the lyrics and mail it to: Qilaut 2023 Inuktut Songwriting Contest c/o Official Languages Division Department of Culture and Heritage Government of Nunavut Box 1000, Station 800 Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0.
- You can also send your completed form, a copy of the song as well as a copy of the lyrics to qilaut@gmail.com.

WHEN?

- Contest closes, and all entries must be received by January 15, 2024 @ 11:59PM Eastern Standard Time.
- Winners will be announced on February 15, 2024, from Iqaluit, Nunavut.
- Recording of the CD will take place between February 22, 2024.

- 19 and over: You should fill out the form, give us a copy of the song on a CD or USB stick as well as a copy of the lyrics and mail it to: Qilaut 2023 Inuktut Songwriting Contest c/o Official Languages Division Department of Culture and Heritage Government of Nunavut Box 1000, Station 800 Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0. Be sure all members of your song-writing team have obtained consent from their parent or legal guardian.
- Under 19: Have your parent or legal guardian fill out the form, give us a copy of the song on a CD or USB stick as well a copy of the lyrics and mail it to: Qilaut 2023 Inuktut Songwriting Contest c/o Official Languages Division Department of Culture and Heritage Government of Nunavut Box 1000, Station 800 Iqaluit, NU X0A 0H0. Be sure all members of your song-writing team have obtained consent from their parent or legal guardian.
- Completed entry forms, a copy of the song as well as a copy of the lyrics can be emailed to: qilaut@gmail.com.

WHY?

- *Qilaut* is Nunavut's annual Inuktut song-writing contest. The purpose of the contest is to celebrate our vibrant Inuktut music scene and inspire the creation of more original music in Inuktut. This is a Government of Nunavut program intended to strengthen the use of Inuktut in all areas of our lives
- By sharing your songs, you are contributing to Inuit language and culture!
- Your song will be professionally recorded and distributed throughout Nunavut for all to enjoy!

$13,000 in Prizes! Odds of Winning Depend on the Number of Entries Received!