



AWLMC Benefit Household Pet Cat Show

Saturday, April 26, 2008

The competition for the AWLMC's 2008 "American Feline Idol" is open to all Household Pet Cats, at least 6 months of age, spayed and neutered, and in good health. This show is not for purebred cats registered with ACFA, CFA, TICA, etc.

The AWLMC benefit Household Pet Cat Show is patterned after the pedigreed cat shows put on by local Cat Fanciers Clubs. One of the classes at these shows is for Household Pets. The AWLMC show will feature just these cats - cats without "papers", cats of mixed breed and unknown backgrounds, cats that come from all "walks of life". The cats will be judged for their uniqueness, pleasing appearance, unusual markings, and sweet dispositions by professional Cat Fanciers. Each household pet reflecting good health and vitality receives a merit award. The top scoring cats in each Ring receive Rosettes and prizes, and compete for Best in Show!

A Happy Household Pet Cat Club Rosette will be awarded to the Best Cat in each ring, and the finals will be sent to the HHPCC for scoring for regional/international awards.

If you have never attended a cat show and are thinking about entering your cat into this show we have a Cat Show FAQ email address to answer your questions and help you prepare: Digicatrock@verizon.net

Here are just two of the many internet cat show sites with information for families and children:

The Happy Household Pet Cat Club website: Showing your Household Pet
<http://www.hhpcc.org/showing.html>

For Kids – About Cats: All About Cat Shows
<http://kids.cfa.org/shows.html>

We hope you will consider entering your cat into our Household Pet Cat Show and enjoy a fun family day with your cat!

To Enter

Complete the Entry Form and mail with entry fees to the AWLMC. A Show Confirmation will be sent to you with specific information about the day of the Show. Registrations must be received by April 18, 2008.

Entry Fee

Entry fee is \$25.00, which includes a single exhibitor cage, Show Catalog and admission for 2 people to the Show. Additional cats entered from the same household are \$15.00. All cats are assigned individual wire cages that measure 22"x22"x22". Two cats from the same household will be assigned adjacent single cages.

General Information

Location: Montgomery Agricultural Center Fairgrounds, Building 2, Gaithersburg, MD

Show Hours: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Judging begins at 10:00 AM.

Check-in for cats in the Show begins at 8:30 AM. Cats must be pre-registered.

Cage Decoration Contest

Your cat will spend the day of the show in a wire exhibitor cage that will have cats in adjacent cages. Each cage must be covered by the exhibitor with cage curtains, or drapes, on the top and three sides. The cage curtains give the cat a comfy place to rest in between judging calls, and shields the cat from cats in surrounding cages. Cage drapes can be made from any type of material or toweling.

Decorate your exhibitor cage with a Music theme to enter the contest for Best Cage Decorations. We hope your cat will inspire you to decorate the cage to a musical theme ... Grammy category (County, Pop, Jazz, R&B, etc.), Golden Oldie, Top 40, show tune, recording artist, performer or musician ... to give you some ideas. Prizes will be awarded for outstanding and creative cage decorations.

Show Admission

Show Hours: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

General Admission \$5.00, Children under 12 years free.

Spectators

Come watch all of the beautiful cats competing in this show! All Household Pet Cats are crowd pleasers! The AWLMC will have cats for adoption. Vendors will have cat supplies and specialty merchandise for cat lovers. Food service will be available. Other fund-raising activities and humane educational displays are planned.

Glamour Shots Photo Competition Fundraiser

Can't enter your cat in purr-son? Enter your cat into the *Glamour Shots* photo competition for \$5.00 per photo. Photos must be no larger than 4"x 6". Bring photos to the show to enter or send to the AWLMC (AWLMC Glamour Shots, PO Box 10232, Rockville, MD 20849) with \$5.00 donation per photo. Votes are bought during the Show by Spectators for cash donations to the AWLMC. Cats do not have to be entered in the Cat Show for you to participate in the photo competition.

Directions

From North: I-270 South, take Exit 11, (Montgomery Village/Quince Orchard Rd.) then make left onto Montgomery Village Ave. At next light make a right onto Route 355 South.

From South: I-495 North to I-270 North (stay right for this exit towards Frederick), Merge onto I-270 Local lanes to EXIT 10-11. 270 exit *East* at Exit #11 (Montgomery Village Avenue-Maryland Route 124). Turn right at MD Route 355 South.

Directions to Building 2 (Chestnut St): Follow directions above from respective locations and once on Route 355 South, go past Perry Parkway and Odenhal Road and make a right at the next light, which is Chestnut St. Go through traffic light and make your next right behind the Standard Supplies Building. If you cross the railroad tracks, you have gone too far. Continue on entrance road to Building 2, which is on your right with circular drive in front. Parking is available on the grounds.

[Click here for a map from MapQuest](#)

The Animal Welfare League of Montgomery County (AWLMC) is a 501(c)(3) non-profit animal welfare organization. All Cat Show proceeds will benefit the AWLMC cat shelter in Gaithersburg, MD, community outreach and humane education programs.