

Season 7 (FAQ's)

REGISTRATION:

Always check the website for updates and latest news to do with Season 7.

1. WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN GCGT SEASON 7 IN NIGERIA?

- GCGT Nigeria is open to Nigerian Citizens and/or Residents of Nigeria who have lived in Nigeria for 12 consecutive months prior to the date registration opens
- All children aged 5 20 years, with proof of age, talented in dance, spoken word, comedy, music and musical instruments: violin, drums, guitar, keyboard, saxophone, trumpet and clarinet.
- Applicants under 18yrs with consent and support from parents/guardian.
- Solo act, or Group of 2 to 4 maximum. Group members can be of different ages within ages 5-20yrs.
- Those who share our beliefs at GCGT:
 - I. We believe in the Trinity; God the Father, God, the Son and God, the Holy Spirit.
 - II. We believe that God sent His Son, Jesus Christ to die for our sins.
 - III. We believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead on the third day and ascended to Heaven.
 - IV. We believe that we must all be born again to enter into the kingdom of God.
 - V. We believe that He is coming back to take us with Him.
 - VI. We believe in baptism by immersion and the baptism of the Holy Ghost.
- Families of GCGT core team, staff, season 7 project and production team, vendors and HOW Foundation are not eligible.
- All Grand Prize Winners and Contracted Ambassadors are not eligible to participate
- 2nd and 3rd place prize winners are eligible to participate after two seasons, provided they are still within the competitions age bracket
- All other Season Finalists are eligible to participate after one season, provided they are still
 within the competitions age bracket

NB. GCGT has the sole discretion to make determinations of eligibility and can change eligibility as they deem fit.

1.1 DO I NEED TO ATTEST TO THESE BELIEFS TO PARTICIPATE?

Absolutely, GCGT is a Christian Reality Talent Quest and all expressions of talents must have gospel content and be inspirational.

2. HOW DO I REGISTER FOR GCGT SEASON 7?

- Register online at www.gcgt.org.
- Download a short write on "Talented! Don't Bury it and study it as part of the registration/audition requirement
- You may also register online at an approved GCGT season 6 registration. Center near you, if you require assistance with registration or follow the instruction below (no.4).

3. HOW MUCH IS REGISTRATION FORM OR WHAT DOES IT COST TO REGISTER?

• Registration is free. Registration for season 7 is online at www.gcgt.org

4. WHAT ARE THE REQUIREMENTS TO COMPLETE REGISTRATION?

Registration is free, simple and only takes a few minutes. If you are a soloist or in a group and want to audition for GCGT follow the three easy steps to register online.

- 1. Scan a picture (passport picture on white background with any view preferred).
- 2. Fill the online registration form (Should you be successful, original document/proof of age will be required for sighting at the first audition stage for each Group or Solo)

5. WHAT HAPPENS AFTER REGISTRATION?

- If your registration is successful, you will receive a message confirming receipt of your application. It is important that you provide your primary mobile number and email address, as we will use them to contact you. Please note that not all applicants will qualify for an audition, however don't be discouraged by this.
- The application will be processed, if shortlisted for audition you will receive an audition invitation once your audition session has been confirmed. Please check your email/mobile phone regularly for your invite message.

6. WHEN DOES REGISTRATION CLOSE?

Registration closing date will be made available via the website.

7. WILL COMPETITIONS BE HELD IN USA, UK AND EUROPE IN SEASON 7?

USA, UK and EUROPE now hold competitions end to end in their respective churches based on separate timelines. Foreign contestants are to check the website from time to time for more information or contact the participating churches in their respective countries.

8. WHEN ARE THE AUDITIONS/REGIONAL FINALS/SEMI FINALS/FINALS?

Auditions & Regional finals Nigeria (Abuja, Port Harcourt, Lagos): April 2017.

Boot Camp & Semi-finals: Lagos: May, 2017

Grand Finale in Lagos: June 24th, 2017 - EKO HOTEL

9. WHAT ARE THE RULES AROUND GROUP PARTICIPATION?

Solo performance or group performance is allowed. A group is two, three or four persons performing together as a single act. Once part of a group, you must remain in the same group till the end of the competition. A group cannot be reconstituted, change, add or remove a member. Group members can be of different ages within ages 5-20yrs but primary talent must be the same. Although multi talent is allowed as part of the act.

10. WHAT IS THE INCENTIVE FOR PARTICIPATION?

The grand prize is N10m (Ten Million Naira), a car and a 250million naira management contract for the overall winner of season 7. The best contestant from ages 5-20 will emerge the overall winner and brand ambassador. The first runner up and second runner up are also rewarded with consolation prices. There are other prizes such as musical instruments, talent enhancement opportunities and much more to be won. The contestants also undergo a leadership programme alongside the competition. The competition will be aired on television.

In the event that a group act wins, the grand prize will be split equally amongst contestants in the group.

11. TALENT GROUP

Multi-talent is allowed but your primary talent must be stated. For groups, primary talent must be the same. Eligible talents are dance, spoken word, comedy, music and musical instruments: violin, drums, guitar, keyboard, saxophone/trumpet/clarinet.

12. HOW DO I PREPARE FOR AUDITION/REGIONAL FINAL/SEMI FINAL DAY?

Familiarize yourself with the audition rules, pray and read your Bible, make sure you arrive at least 30 minutes ahead and ensure you have the proper identification. Please also look at the checklist

13. HOW LONG DO I GET TO PERFORM FOR MY AUDITION/REGIONAL FINALS/SEMI FINALS?

You will be given UP TO 120 seconds (2mins) at Audition/Regional Finals/Semi Finals, if you get through. Please keep in mind that this is your opportunity to show us your talent, so please come prepared. Practice your Audition/Regional Finals/Semi Finals ahead of time so we see the best and most exciting parts of your performance. The organisers/producers reserve the right to modify allotted times for Audition/Regional Finals/Semi Finals at their sole discretion.

14. WHAT TYPE OF MUSICAL EQUIPMENT IS PROVIDED?

Bring your own non-electric/acoustic instruments. For those needing a keyboard or drums, we will make reasonable efforts to provide one for you in the Audition/Regional Finals/Semi Finals room if you have requested so in your registration form. You will not be allowed to program sequences into the keyboard, but you can bring a supporting track on audio CD. If you do need the keyboard, please alert the staff when you are assigned an Audition/Regional Finals/Semi Finals room.

For this initial Audition/Regional Finals/Semi Finals in front of the judges there is very limited set up time

13. CAN I BRING FAMILY AND FRIENDS WITH ME?

Family and friends are allowed to attend the auditions and other competitions.

All minors: contestants as well as their supporters, MUST have permission from their parents or legal guardian to Audition/Regional Finals/Semi Finals AND must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian if under the age of 18.

14. CAN I MAKE A DONATION TO GCGT SEASON 6?

Certainly. You may do this online (click Donate on the homepage) or by paying into any **Access Bank** Branch using Account Number **Donations**: 0689171934 Account Name: **God's Children Great Talent**

15. AM I PERMITTED TO AUDITION IN MULTIPLE CENTERS?

Upon registration you may be invited for audition. Multiple registration is grounds for disqualification.

17. WHAT ITEMS AM I REQUIRED TO BRING TO THE AUDITION?

The invitation to audition will include details of items required. There is also a checklist included as part of the registration form section.

18. IF I PARTICIPATED IN ANY OF THE PAST SEASONS, AM I ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN SEASON 6?

- All Grand Prize Winners and Contracted Ambassadors are not eligible to participate
- 2nd and 3rd place prize winners are eligible to participate after two seasons, provided they are still within the competitions age bracket
- All other Season Finalists are eligible to participate after one season, provided they are still within the competitions age bracket
- In effect, Seasons 5 and 6 finalists at the Eko Hotel event are not eligible this season.

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19. WHAT CAN DISQUALIFY ME FROM THE COMPETITION?

Grounds for disqualification include:

- 1. Supply of false, inaccurate or misleading information
- 2. Fabrication/falsification of records
- 3. Multiple entry/registration into competition
- 4. Absence of Pastor's Reference Form, Parental Consent Form, Passport Photographs, Biography, Proof of Age and other Required Documentation when requested
- 5. Absence from leadership classes, talent enhancement sessions, boot camp, any competition, photo-shoot or dress rehearsal.
- 6. Any song/dance/act/performance or work of art that promotes promiscuity.
- 7. Indecent exposure of parts of the body,
- 8. Indecent dressing
- 9. Indecent behavior, hostile behavior and/or bullying
- 10. Provocative dances/performances

- 11. Stunts, acts/performances that promote violence or are dangerous, acts that could cause harm to self and/or others
- 12. Use of any GCGT Talent Coaches/facilitators for personal coaching
- 13. Parents/guardian/contestant found in any attempt to coerce judges, coordinators or talent coaches in favor of ward/self
- 14. Parent/guardian/contestant found to have consciously engaged in any act to jeopardize the chances of any other contestant
- 15. Fighting / unhealthy rivalry by contestants/parents/guardians
- 16. Engagement in any act of indecent behavior that is not in line with GCGT core values
- 17. Absence at any of the events qualified for by any act, solo or a member of a group
- 18. Non declaration of conflict of interest or entries/applications of employees or an immediate relative of employees (mother, father, son, daughter, brother or sister) of GCGT Trust, or any of its agencies or persons professionally associated with the Competition, or individuals that are part of the organizing team or sufficiently connected to the Competition or individuals who have left the employ of GCGT Trust within the last 6 months
- 19. Breach any of the terms and conditions of Season 7 competition
- 20. Absence at any of the leadership classes, without written permission
- 21. Break up, reconstitution of groups or change of group member after registration as group in this competition
- 22. Breach of confidentiality clause or any of the terms of conditions of this competition.

This is by no means exhaustive and GCGT reserve the right to disqualify a contestant without delay or prior notification, in event of any breach of the terms and condition or anything that may harm the Competition or the reputation of the organizer.

20. WHO ARE THE JUDGES FOR SEASON 7?

Our judges are God fearing professionals who are at the very top of their game. Judges of past seasons include TY Bello, Dan Foster, Joke Silva, Sir Emeka Nwokedi, Cobhams Asuquo, Sarah Boulos, Wole Oni, Ben Ogbeiwi, Nikki Laoye, Mosa, Rachel Kerr, Wale Rubber and others. Season 7 is a combination of public voting and Independent judging at semi-finals and grand finale. The Season 7 Judges will soon be introduced on the website.

21. HOW CAN WE BE PART OF GCGT, SUPPORT, PARTNER WITH OR PROVIDE FEEDBACK TO GCGT?

- Go to wwt.gcgt.org and click contact us for contact details
- GCGT helpline /general contact +234 816 728 1221
- email info@gcgt.org

23. WHAT IS THE PURPOSE OF MY TALENT?

Don't Bury Your Talent! Your talent can make you a Leader,

- " A man's gift maketh room for him and bringeth him before great men "
- Proverbs 18:16

Who is a Leader? A person who leads a group, organization or country

"If your actions inspire others to dream, learn more, do more and become more, you are a leader". – **John Quincy Adams**

What is a talent? A special natural aptitude or skill or ability to do something with excellence

Where do Talents come from? Our talents can also be described as gifts. Ultimately our talents / gifts come from God. Rom 11:29, Rom 12:16, 1 Pet 4:10;

Can my talent make me a leader?

- (i) God makes leaders 1 Sam 9:16; Matt 25:20 23
- (ii) To be a leader you must be ready to use your talent to serve Luke 22:26; 1Sam 16: 21-23; Matt 25:16 & 17
- (iii) Your gift (properly used) will take you to great places –1 Sam 16: 17 186

Biblical Examples

- David's music refreshes Saul (I Samuel 16:14-23)
- The Parable of the Talent (Matthew 25:14-30)

Practical Examples

- -The late Mr. Myles Munroe recognized his gift of leadership and building leaders.
- -TY Bello & Olajumoke, the bread seller....a one off occurrence, chance story. Think about it?

Key lessons

- Everyone has a talent, a gift you need to identify yours.
- We must be diligent with our talent use your talent!
- We can influence with our talent bless others with your talent

Action points

- Prepare to position your talent (pray and speak in the spirit)
- Practice to sharpen your talent
- Persevere to sustain your talent
- Protect your talent (don't give up or give in to adversity

Prayer:

- Pray to God to show you your talents
- Pray to God to use your talent for His glory
- Ask God to cause your talent to make room for you

Bible Reference: James 1:17, Matthew 25:14-30, Proverbs 22:29