



Texas Auctioneers Association

TEXAS LONE STAR OPEN

Rules & Information

2019 Texas Lone Star Open

The competition is open to ALL AUCTIONEERS over the age of 18. Disclosures must be signed on registration application.

- Texas Lone Star Open 1st Place Grand Champion - \$10,000 cash prize & Signature Texas Buckle
- Texas Lone Star Open Reserve Champion & 3rd Place – Cash Payouts and Buckle
- Highest Scoring Rookie Recognition (3 years or less out of auction school) – Buckle
- Highest Scoring Female Auctioneer Recognition – Buckle

All contestants will receive complimentary promotional listing with contact information in the Event Program – online and printed if received by print deadline. The event is held in conjunction with the Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering Festival in the Fort Worth Stockyards.

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The order of the contestants will be established by random draw during the **MANDATORY meeting at 2:00PM** in the Stockmans Club Room. Attendance is mandatory at the Friday meeting and contestants must be dressed and ready to compete. **Contestants must have items checked in by 1:30PM with clerks.** Contestants not at meeting by 2:00PM will be ineligible and fees non-refundable. The finalists scores will start new in the finals round. Contest will be videoed and live-streamed. Contestants authorize without compensation, use of any and all video, internet, photos, etc as footage for promotional use by the Texas Auctioneer Association for the event.

Any revisions or changes announced on the day of contest will take precedent over any printed material. The Texas Lone Star Open Committee or authorized designees will set the sound system and may adjust to benefit the contest. The Texas Lone Star Open Committee reserves the right to except or reject any contestant's entry into the contest. Attire is suggested to be "professional western".

CONTEST LOCATION: The 2019 Texas Lone Star Open Bid Calling Contest will take place during the Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering & Western Swing Festival on October 25, 2019 3PM-6PM and will be held at the historic Stockmans Club, Stockyards Station in Fort Worth located at 140 East Exchange Avenue, Fort Worth, TX 76164.

PRELIMINARY ROUND: All contestants must bring **ONE** item with retail value at \$100 and TAA will provide a 2nd item to sell in the preliminary round. Entries will be accepted up to October 21, 2019, midnight. No entries will be taken after this date. Description & pictures must be sent to info@texasauctioneers.org.

FINALS ROUND: The top four highest scores plus one wildcard contestant will be selected by the judges and will advance to the final round. The 5 finalist scores will start new in the finals round. Three items will be provided by the contest committee for each contestant in the final round. In the event of a tie, the high scores in the category of determining if the “auctioneer would be hired” will be added back into the contestant’s total scores of those in the tie.

PROMOTION DEADLINE: To be Included in the printed & online catalog, you **MUST** send registration & maximum 25-word picture/description of each preliminary item by **OCT 5**.

ALL CONTESTANTS WILL RECEIVE: FREE listing in the online and printed catalog, video access of competition and a FREE Friday ticket to Red Steagall Cowboy Gathering*.

HOTEL: Towne Place Suites Marriott: 805 East Belknap, Fort Worth, TX 76102. 817-332-6300. Ask for the ‘Texas Lone Star Open’ rate - \$109. Contact TAA with any issues. ***Welcome Meet & Greet at Hotel: Thursday from 6:30-7:30pm***