



## CONTESTANT DETAILS

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### **The Next Steps**

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#### **Round Two Competition - (late-September)**

This round starts with the **ten comedians who made it through either the video submissions or in-person auditions**. The judges will view the Round Two video submissions of the ten remaining contestants and make their decisions. Feel free to send in up to two additional standup video links by no later than September 18<sup>th</sup>. If you are not passed to the next round, feel free to audition again next year.

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#### **Round Three Competitions - (October)**

This round starts with **five comics, all** competing in-person before judges and a live audience. We will conduct on-camera interviews and take promotional photos. The time on stage is longer and the audience is involved. The judges have more intense deliberations. Two people must be eliminated. This round takes us down to the three Finalists. If you are not selected, you might be invited to return next year to compete.

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#### **Round Four- The Finals (TBA)**

**There are three factors in the Judges scoring in this round:**

- The remaining **three finalists** will have to complete a **surprise challenge** in the fastest time, while maintaining their comic humor. Cameras will follow each comic through the challenge, catching every grimace, smirk, joke and plea every step of the way. The completion time and judges response will be factors in the overall final scoring. This will be done in the morning.
- The three finalists will each compete with a **10-12 minute onstage comedy set**, before a live audience and finally,
- The audience responses will be taken into account by the judges

**The comic with the highest combined score, from the challenge and comedy set, in the final round will be named the Next Great Comic.**



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## The Prizes:

### The First Place Winner will receive:

- \$2,000 award
- Winner's trophy for "The Next Great Comic, 2019"
- Winner Certificate
- Swag bag of gift items from sponsor and supporter businesses
- Winner T-Shirt
- An invitation to return next year and defend your title. You will enter beginning at Round Two.
- Promo on our website throughout the year of up to three (3) of your appearances.

**The 2nd Place** comic will receive a Finalist certificate and Next Great Comic T-shirt. You will be invited to return next year, beginning at Round Two.

**The 3rd Place** comic will receive a Finalist certificate, a T-shirt and can compete next year.

