

Southern Fried Poetry Slam Host City Vetting Questionnaire

Welcome to the process for consideration as a host city for a future Southern Fried Poetry Slam and Festival. A Southern Fried Poetry Slam and Festival host city must meet the following criteria:

- Be physically in-region
- Have an active slam team with Southern Fried voting rights

Additionally, the festival director must meet the following criteria:

- Current or previous SlamMaster
- Three years (minimally) of SoFried experience
- Previous experience in hosting and/or bout managing at SoFried

If chosen as a host city, the festival director and members of their organizing committee will volunteer as hosts/bout managers for the SoFried immediately preceding the one they will be hosting. The succeeding festival director should shadow and assist the current festival director.

Hosting a successful SoFried can be a difficult task and with a lot moving parts, so please have the following information ready before submitting your bid:

Person filling out this form:

Team(s)/Venue(s):

Years of SoFried Experience:

Contact email:

Contact phone:

Funding sources

You will need (minimally) \$25,000 to host SoFried. While sponsorships and in-kind donations will help, arts grants will be your best sources of funding.

Please list possible funding sources you have looked into:

Local, state, or regional grants. Fill out the following information for each grant.

Grant Name	Granting Agency	Grant Amount	Submission deadline

Sponsorships

Sponsor	Sponsorship contact	Ask amount	notes

Host Hotel

You will need a room block of 25-40 rooms. The hotel must be reasonably affordable, have a conference room available for planning team meetings and possible material storage, a business center with printer/copier, and a space where poets may gather after bouts. List possible host hotels in order of preference:

Hotel	Location (Address)	Approx distance to bout venues	Room rates - one queen bed: two double beds:

Finals Venue

The finals venue should have seating (minimally) for 500 guests and have its own sound system and technicians. List your primary preference and two backup locations:

Venue	Location (Address)	Rental Cost	Seating Capacity

Bout Venues

You will need four bout venues, preferably within walking distance of each other and the host hotel. They should have capacity for 40-50 people (minimally) and be accessible between 5pm-11pm. List four primary venues and four backup options:

Venue	Location (Address)	Rental Cost	Seating Capacity

Daytime Venues

You will need locations for registration, SlamMaster meetings, workshops, volunteer orientation, daytime side events (haiku death match, nerd slam, open mics) and the opening ceremony/orientation. Please list as many possible venues as you can.

Venue	Location (Address)	Rental Cost	Purpose
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Nighttime Venues

You will need locations for after-bout side events - hip-hop slam/open mic, erotic slam/open mic, etc.

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Partnerships

Please list any and all agencies, organizations, or individuals that will be able to assist you with hosting SoFried. These should include the local convention and visitors bureau, arts organizations, colleges/universities, fraternities/sororities, and local government

Agency/Org/Indiv	Contact info (phone/email)	Contacted (enter YES or NO)	notes
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