

## 2026 KAXE GREEN CHEESE T-SHIRT ART CONTEST

### OFFICIAL RULES

NO CONTRIBUTION OR PURCHASE IS NECESSARY -- MAKING A CONTRIBUTION WILL NOT INCREASE YOUR CHANCES OF WINNING THIS CONTEST THE FOLLOWING CONTEST IS INTENDED FOR PLAY IN THE UNITED STATES ONLY AND SHALL ONLY BE CONSTRUED AND EVALUATED ACCORDING TO UNITED STATES LAW. DO NOT ENTER THIS CONTEST UNLESS YOU ARE LOCATED IN THE UNITED STATES AT THE TIME OF ENTRY.

1. **ELIGIBILITY.** Open only to legal residents of any one of the 50 United States or the District of Columbia who are 13 years of age or older at time of entry. THIS CONTEST IS INTENDED FOR PLAY IN THE UNITED STATES ONLY. DO NOT ENTER THIS CONTEST UNLESS YOU ARE LOCATED IN THE UNITED STATES AT THE TIME OF ENTRY. Void where prohibited by law.

The following persons are not eligible: Persons who on or after December 22, 2025, were or are employees of Northern Community Radio (KAXE), their immediate family, or persons living in the same household.

2. **CONTEST SCHEDULE:** You may enter the Green Cheese T-shirt Art Contest (the "Contest") between 6:00 a.m. CT, June 23, 2026 and 11:59 p.m. CT, July 8, 2026 (the "Contest Period").

3. **TO ENTER:** To enter the Contest, go to [kaxe.org](http://kaxe.org) and complete the online entry form, including the submission of original artwork that meets the submission requirements described below (the "Submission"). Before you will be allowed to enter the Contest, you must expressly agree and consent to be bound by these OFFICIAL RULES and the TERMS OF SERVICE and PRIVACY POLICIES of the web site. If you do not agree to these terms, please do not use the web site or enter the Contest. No contribution or purchase is necessary. Incomplete entries will not be considered. Limit of one entry per person. Any Submission that is not in compliance with these entry rules may be disqualified at the sole discretion of the Contest Sponsor. Void where prohibited by law.

4. **SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS.** To be considered for the Contest, a Submission must meet all of the following requirements:

- 1) The Submission must be the original work of the Entrant, produced by the Entrant without AI assistance or tools.
- 2) The Submission must be owned by the Entrant, and may not be subject to a rights license or other contractual obligation that limits the Entrant's ownership rights.
- 3) The Entrant must meet all eligibility requirements.
- 4) The Submission must be rendered in two colors, and may not use additional colors.
- 5) Submissions may not contain content that violates any third-party rights (e.g., trademarked or copyrighted images) or that KAXE, in its sole discretion, deems inappropriate.

Any Submission that does not meet all Submission Requirements may be disqualified at any time, at the sole discretion of KAXE. All Submissions are subject to adjustments or alterations as needed to reproduce, print, or display the art, and KAXE has full rights to add show or brand text and elements.

5. **LICENSE.** By entering the Contest, Entrant grants an irrevocable, perpetual, worldwide non-exclusive license to KAXE, and its related companies to alter, reproduce, distribute, and/or display the Submission 1) in connection with the Contest and promotion of the Contest, including, but not limited to terrestrial broadcasts, web, and any other platform now known or later developed, 2) in connection with KAXE and promotion of KAXE, including, but not limited to terrestrial broadcasts, web, and any other platform now known or later developed, and 3) in KAXE-related commercial products, including but not limited to T-shirts. No additional consideration or approval is required for any such use. Further, as a condition of accepting the prize, the winner of the contest will be required to assign to KAXE all rights to the Submission. KAXE may alter or adapt the submission for print or display purposes, and will apply specific show and/or branding text in use. KAXE or its related organizations may use name and likeness of Winner for advertising, fundraising, promotional, and/or publicity purposes without further compensation.

6. SELECTION AND NOTIFICATION OF WINNER(S): Every eligible Submission will be included in the Contest. Selection will be made according to the following process, or as otherwise determined by the Contest Sponsor:

- a. The Contest Sponsor will name a panel of staff members to serve as Contest judges (collectively, the "Judges").
- b. The Judges will review all eligible Submissions received during the Contest Period.
- c. Judges will select three (3) Submissions that will be deemed to be Contest finalists (each, a "Finalist"). The criteria for selecting Finalists will be determined in the sole discretion of the Contest Sponsor, and may include factors such as creativity, originality, and the ability to effectively promote Green Cheese.
- e. The top rated Finalist will be determined Winner will be required to assign to KAXE all rights to the Submission as a condition of winning the prize.
- f. If Contest Sponsor deems the Winner to be ineligible or if the Winner is unwilling to assign to KAXE all rights to the Submission, then the Prize will go to another Finalist to be selected by the Judges.

7. PRIZE DETAILS: The Winner will receive four t-shirts with the winning design from this special print run. Prize value: \$120.00. Winner will receive the Prize via the delivery service selected by Contest Sponsor.

8. GENERAL CONDITIONS: Entrants agree that the Sponsors have the sole right to decide all matters and disputes arising from this Contest and that all decisions of Sponsors are final and binding. Winners, by acceptance of the Prize, agree to release, indemnify and hold harmless Contest Sponsor, as well as its parent and related companies, and each of its employees, representatives, contractors, and advertisers from any and all liability, loss, damage, cost or claim relating to any allegation regarding the acceptance or use of their prize. Any Entrant that violates the Official Rules, as determined in the sole discretion of Contest Sponsor, will be immediately disqualified from the Contest. The Contest Sponsor and related organizations, their agents and employees have no liability whatsoever for any injuries, losses, or damages of any kind which result from use of the Prize, or by participation in the Contest. The Contest Sponsor and its related organizations may use Winner's name and likeness for advertising, fundraising, promotional or publicity purposes without further compensation.

Winner will be responsible for any expenses associated with claiming the Prize.

The rules detailing Contest eligibility and method of selecting the Winner are on file at the Contest Sponsor.

RESTRICTIONS: By participating in the Contest, a participant agrees to be bound by these Official Rules, and by all decisions of Northern Community Radio as the Contest Sponsor.

CONTEST SPONSOR: KAXE, 260 NE 2<sup>nd</sup> St. Grand Rapids, MN 55744, 218-326-1234