

**NBC'S HIT WEIGHT-LOSS SERIES "THE BIGGEST LOSER" LAUNCHING
NATIONWIDE, 13-CITY SEARCH FOR NEW CONTESTANTS**

Season Thirteen Auditions for Teams of Two and Individuals to be Held in Austin, the New York tri-state area, Detroit, Charlotte, Washington, DC, Atlanta, St. Louis, Salt Lake City, Phoenix, Chicago, Dallas, Orlando and Los Angeles

UNIVERSAL CITY, Calif. – July 14, 2011 – NBC's popular reality series "The Biggest Loser" is launching a 13-city cross-country search to find new contestants for the next edition of the hit show. Individuals and teams of two who have at least 85 lbs. to lose are encouraged to apply for the new season, which will begin airing in January, 2012.

Casting producers are looking for outgoing and charismatic teams of two and individuals who have the personality, desire and competitive edge to vie for this once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to lose weight, change their lives forever and compete for a grand prize of \$250,000. Candidates must be at least 18 years of age and legal residents of the United States.

People will not be allowed to line up prior to three hours before the start of the open call. Candidates should bring a non-returnable photo of themselves (and their partners if applying as a team).

SATURDAY, JULY 30

AUSTIN

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

The Long Center for the Performing Arts

701 West Riverside Drive

Austin, TX 78704

NY TRI-STATE AREA

10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Newark Beth Israel Medical Center

201 Lyons Avenue at Osborne Terrace

Newark, NJ 07112

DETROIT

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Gardner-White Furniture

45300 Hayes Road

Macomb, MI 48044-3846

SATURDAY, AUGUST 6

CHARLOTTE

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Planet Fitness

10215-B University City Blvd.

(Located in the Back Creek Shopping Center)

Charlotte, NC 28213

WASHINGTON, DC

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Prince George's Sports and Learning Complex

8001 Sheriff Road

Landover, MD 20785

ATLANTA

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Hard Rock Cafe

215 Peachtree Street Northeast

Atlanta, GA 30303

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13

ST. LOUIS

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Chesterfield Mall

291 Chesterfield Mall

(at the intersection of Highway 40 and Clarkson Rd)

Chesterfield, MO 63017-4811

SALT LAKE CITY

9 a.m. – 5 p.m.

KSL 5 TV

55 North 300 West

Salt Lake City, UT 84180

PHOENIX

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Superstition Springs Center

6555 E. Southern Ave.

Mesa, AZ 85206

SATURDAY, AUGUST 20

CHICAGO

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Chicago Home Fitness

2070 North Clybourn Avenue

Chicago, IL 60614

DALLAS

10 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Gilley's Dallas

1135 South Lamar Street

Dallas, TX 75215-1036

ORLANDO

TBA

SATURDAY, AUGUST 27

LOS ANGELES

TBA

For those who are unable to attend a casting call, information on how to apply to the show and submit a videotape is available on www.nbc.com/casting and www.thebiggestlosercasting.com.

Alison Sweeney is the host of "The Biggest Loser," which challenges and encourages overweight contestants to shed pounds in a safe and recommended manner through comprehensive diet and exercise as they compete for a grand prize of \$250,000. The series provides the contestants with challenges, temptations, weigh-ins and eliminations until the final contestant remains to claim the title of "the biggest loser." For season 12, contestants work out under the supervision of professional trainers Bob Harper, Anna Kournikova and Dolvett Quince.

"The Biggest Loser" is a production of Reveille and 25/7 Productions. Ben Silverman, Dave Broome and Todd Lubin are the executive producers.

For embeddable clips and full episodes from "The Biggest Loser," please visit NBC.com's official show site: <http://www.nbc.com/the-biggest-loser/>

For artwork and a complete press kit from the show please visit the NBC Universal Media village website at <http://www.nbcumv.com/mediavillage/networks/nbcentertainment/thebiggestloser>.

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