

Cartoon Character Contest Guidelines:

1. Make sure each of your characters is no larger than a half piece of paper. Be sure to use lots of color in your drawing!
2. Make sure that your character has a personality that you think can be depicted with music. Remember you are not telling a story with the picture. You are simply introducing a character and their colorful personality. You might try to write out some adjectives to describe your character. Those are the kinds of things that musical motives are good at depicting (e.g. Brave, cooky, triumphant, elegant, petite, frantic, etc.)
3. If you don't know how to draw, trying watching these little presentations by the illustrator Betsy Streeter. They have been helpful to me and I don't know how to draw even a good 3D box!

Anatomy of a Stick Figure (Great way to learn how to draw stick figures that have personalities!) <http://www.slideshare.net/betsystreeter/anatomy-ofa-stickfigure>

Draw Faces Your Own Way (Good for all kinds of characters... your character's face should be very expressive)
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4. Write a short description of your character so that we know a bit about his or her personality.