



ONTARIO COUNTY FAIR TALENT SHOWCASE

Superintendent: Amy VanderWeide

Date: Saturday, July 31th

Time: 4 pm

Where: Carriage Barn Event Center, Fairgrounds

RULES:

1. Age limits (age of each contestant as of September 1st, 2021)
 - a. Maxi Talent Division - 13 years of age and over
 - b. Mini Talent Division - 12 years of age and under

The New York State Fair (NYSF) Talent Showcase will accept up to, but no more than the top 25 Mini, and the Top 25 Talent Hunt acts from county level preliminary talent showcases. The 50% rule will be strictly adhered to concerning groups - in a duo, if one contestant is 12 and the other is 13 am they will compete in the Maxi Division. In a group of three or larger if 50% or more of the group and over they will compete in the Maxi Division. No contestant over the age of 14 may perform in a Mini division group.

2. Time limit for each act must not exceed five (5) minutes. Any act running over 5 minutes will be disqualified.
3. No acts using batons or machetes, knives, etc., will be accepted.
4. No fire will be allowed on stage during the competition.
5. Contestants must not be/have been under contract for reimbursement for their performance. Expense money should not be considered reimbursement for performance.
6. To be eligible for the NYSF Talent Showcase, contestants must have performed and place in the top 25 in the Ontario County Fair Talent Showcase.
7. Contestants must be from Ontario County and surrounding counties.
8. Contestants may enter only one county competitor, to be eligible to perform in the NYSF Talent Showcase competition.

SPECIAL NOTE: In a group situation, if all performers do not reside in the same county, the group must compete in the county that the majority of performers reside. Age requirements for groups as outlined in rule number one (1) above, are also in effect.

9. *Contestants must perform the same act and / or same number they did at the County Level if they go on to State.
10. *A contestant can perform only ONE (1) solo and as a member of only TWO (2) other groups. If this rule is violated, the contestant and the group will be disqualified.
11. *NYSF Mini Showcase - The daily top 10 place winners will be eligible to enter the Semi-Final Mini Showcase at the NYSF Talent Showcase, date and time to be announced.
12. *NYSF Maxi Showcase - The daily top 10 place winners will be eligible to enter the Semi- Final Talent Showcase at the NYSF Talent Showcase, date and time to be announced.
13. *The top 25 place winners from the NYSF Semi-Final Mini Showcase and the top 25 Maxi place winners from the NYSF Semi-Final Talent Showcase will be eligible to enter the final showcase. The NYSF Showcase date and time will be announced at a later date.
14. Previous 1st Place Mini and Maxi Showcase winners are not eligible to enter the Finals in the same category, (e.g. a solo winner may not return as a soloist. He or she may, however, perform as part of a duet, trio, or group.)
15. Teachers are not permitted to compete or perform in their professional talent, e.g. a dance teacher could not compete as a dancer. This rule does not apply to students under scholarship who assist in teaching.
16. Contestants using recordings for their performance must deliver a cassette in "New Condition" to the registration desk. Cassettes should be labeled "STEREO" or "MONO" and have the name of your act on it. The cassette or CD must only contain the selection to be performed.
17. No piano at the local level. There is one at the State Fair level. Sound system will be provided at each.
18. No Rock Bands will be scheduled.
19. Transportation to and from the Fair ... meals and lodging are the responsibility of the contestant.
20. There is no entry fee of any kind.
21. The decision of the judges will be final.
22. Dressing area limited at the local level might want to come dressed but available at the State Level.

* Pertains to NYSF Talent Showcase only.

The following score card will be used:

- 1. Stage Presence** **15 Total Points**
 - a. Personal appearance 5 points
 - b. Poise 10 points

- 2. Talent** **55 Total Points**
 - a. Skill of presentation 25 points
 - b. Quality of number 15 points
 - c. Presentation 15 points

- 3. Interpretation** **20 Total Points**
 - a. Appropriateness of production 10 points
 - b. Originality of portrayal 10 points

- 4. Audience Appeal** **20 Total Points**
 - a. Attentiveness of audience 5 points
 - b. Audience applause 5 points

PRIZES AND AWARDS:

Contestants will compete in one or more of the following age groups 12 yrs. all, under or 13 yrs. and over.

	Age 12 and under		Age 13 and over	
A	1 st Place	\$20.00	1 st Place	\$20.00
Vocal	2 nd Place	\$15.00	2 nd Place	\$15.00
Numbers	3 rd Place	\$10.00	3 rd Place	\$10.00
B	1 st Place	\$20.00	1 st Place	\$20.00
Instrumental	2 nd Place	\$15.00	2 nd Place	\$15.00
Numbers	3 rd Place	\$10.00	3 rd Place	\$10.00
C	1 st Place	\$20.00	1 st Place	\$20.00
	2 nd Place	\$15.00	2 nd Place	\$15.00
Variety	3 rd Place	\$10.00	3 rd Place	\$10.00
Numbers	4 th Place	\$10.00	4 th Place	\$10.00
	5 th Place	\$10.00	5 th Place	\$10.00

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Ribbons will be awarded for 1st thru 5th places

There is no entry fee, but paying for parking at admittance to the fairgrounds is expected. Parking is \$10.00 per car load, or \$5.00 per singles in car, and motorcycles, and walk-in's.

The Ontario County Fair Board reserves the right to fit you in the category that we feel best fits the program and if necessary may limit the number of acts.

Please submit entry form to:

Email: fourvws@gmail.com

Mail: Ontario County Fair

PO Box 324

Canandaigua, NY 14424

Ontario County Fair Talent Showcase Entry Form

Age category you are entering (check one):

_____(50% of participants 13 and over) _____(50% of participants 12 and under)

If your group does not fit neatly into either category then please list participants names and birthdates at the end of this form.

1. Name & Mailing Address: (Please fill this out completely – if a group, pick one member to be the contact)

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _

2. Name of the act, as it is to be announced:

3. Check the **ONE** below which BEST describes your act:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Band | <input type="checkbox"/> Variety Solo |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ballet | <input type="checkbox"/> Ventriloquist |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Group | <input type="checkbox"/> Variety Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Solo (Instrument) | <input type="checkbox"/> Dance Solo (list type) _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Magic | <input type="checkbox"/> Tap |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vocal w/ Guitar | <input type="checkbox"/> Novelty |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vocal w/ CD | <input type="checkbox"/> Jazz |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vocal w/ Tape | <input type="checkbox"/> Acrobatic |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Vocal w/ keyboard You Bring | <input type="checkbox"/> Single Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Keyboard Solo You Bring | <input type="checkbox"/> Group Other |

Name the music style that best describes you: _____

If "Other" please describe: _____

Will you be using recorded music: |Yes| |No|
 CD Tape

Please provide a brief description of your act. Are you a band with a singer, singers with no music (acapella)? What instruments are you using? If you are not a singing/instrumental category what is the talent you are showing us? _____

Number of Performers: 12 and Under _____ 13 and Over _____

Names of Group Members: (list birth date also if age is 12 or 13)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____