

# WAYNE COUNTY FAIR TALENT SHOWCASE

Saturday, August 18, 2018 - 10:00 AM

Awards Offered - \$400 Judges - TBD

Showcase Coordinator: Craig A. Wert - Phone (585) 301-3857 - [cwert@wayncsd.org](mailto:cwert@wayncsd.org)

## RULES:

1. Age Groups: *Age eligibility is at the Opening of the Fair*
  - Maxi (Star) Showcase - 13 years of age and older.
  - Mini (Comet) Showcase - 12 years of age and under.

**(Age of each contestant as of 9/1/18).** The 50% Rule will be strictly adhered to concerning groups. In **duo**; if one contestant is 12 and under and other is 13 and over, then they will compete in the **Star Showcase Division**. In a **group of three or larger**, if 50% or more of the group is 13 and over, they will compete in the **Star Showcase Division**. No one over the age of 14 may perform or be part of the **Comet Showcase Division**, including accompanists.
2. **Acts may be Individual, Duet, or Group.**

A contestant can perform a maximum of THREE (3) times:

  - a. **One (1)** Solo and as a member of only **Two (2)** other groups.
  - b. **OR Three (3)** groups with NO Solo.
3. There is **NO** entry fee for the Talent Showcase. Everyone must completely fill out an entry form for **EACH ACT** they are in prior to the Talent Showcase.
4. **Time limit** for each act **MUST NOT** exceed five (5) minutes. Any act running over five (5) minutes will be disqualified.
5. **NO** acts using **batons, machetes, knives, fire or any other safety hazard will be accepted.**
6. Contestants **Must Be Strictly Amateur**. They must NOT BE/ HAVE BEEN, under contract for reimbursement for their performance. Expense money must not be considered reimbursement for performance. Teachers are not permitted to compete in their professional talent. (*ex. a dance teacher could not compete as a dancer*). *This rule does not apply to unpaid students who assist in teaching.*
7. Contestants **DO NOT need to be Wayne County Residents but MUST be New York State Residents.**
8. **We put down a solid 12 x 20 sheet of Linoleum for the dancers.**
9. Sound equipment will be provided. An electronic keyboard will be available.
  - Contestants using recorded music for their performance must supply a cassette tape or CD in "Good Condition". **TAPE/CD MUST BE LABELED** with the name of your act on it. Tape/ CD must contain only the selection to be performed. Tape/ CD must be given to Showcase Coordinator upon arrival at showcase areas. **HAVE A BACK-UP**. CD-RW doesn't work in all CD players. A CD-R is better.
10. To be eligible for the New York State Fair Talent Showcase, contestants must have performed successful in a county fair talent showcase. In addition, performers must perform the same at the state level that they did at the county fair level.
11. **Contestants will be Scored based Upon:**
  1. **Stage Presence** (15 points)
    - a. Personal appearance (5 points)
    - b. Poise (10 points)
  2. **Talent** (55 points)
    - a. Skill of presentation (25 points)
    - b. Quality of number (15 points)
    - c. Presentation (15 points)

3. **Interpretation** (20 points)
  - a. Appropriateness of production (10 points)
  - b. Originality of portrayal (10 points)
4. **Audience Appeal** (10 points)
  - a. Attentiveness of audience (5 points)
  - b. Audience applause (5 points)

The Judges will tally the scores to determine place and settle any ties.  
The Decision of the Judges will be Final.

12. Transportation to and from the fair, meals and lodging are the responsibility of the contestants. All acts should be of appropriate language, subject & material. **NO Electrified Bands.** Not enough time to set up. The Wayne County Fair is NOT RESPONSIBLE for lost, stolen or misplaced articles.
13. All contestants must report to the showcase area by 9:30 AM. Meeting at 9:45 AM.
14. At the conclusion of the contest, Cash & Rosettes will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> places in each Division.
15. The Judge's scores will NOT be available the day of the event. Scores will be provided after the fair is over to the entrants who supply us with a self-addressed-stamped envelope prior to the end of the fair. Please specify your name and name of your act.

Complete and mail/e-mail/return the form by **August 8, 2018** to:

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For Multiple Entries Please Copy the Form as Needed.