

## **2023 GEORGETOWN FAIR TALENT CONTEST GUIDELINES**

**Date:** Tuesday, July 11 at 6:00 pm. Doors open at 5:15.

**Admission fees:** under 5 free; children 5-11 \$1.00; 12 and up \$3.00

Both the participant and 1 escort are admitted free

**Contest Guidelines:** Points will be awarded as follows:

Stage Presentation: 15 points

Costume: 5 points

Ability: 25 points

Audience Appeal: 5 points

There will be three judges. The panel of judges' decisions will be final.

Age divisions (as of July 11): Junior: 14 and Under; Senior: 15-21

Winners of other 2023 Illinois County Fairs will not be eligible for prizes, but may perform for evaluation only.

A contestant may perform in only one event per contest.

Awards: Awards: 1<sup>st</sup> place: Plaque and \$50; 2<sup>nd</sup> place: \$40; 3<sup>rd</sup> place: \$30; 4<sup>th</sup> place: \$20; 5<sup>th</sup> place: \$10.

**Rehearsal:** A rehearsal will be held the day of the contest from 1:00-4:15. This is not required but recommended.

**Equipment provided:** microphone and piano keyboard. You will need to provide any other equipment necessary for your performance.

**Recordings:** You can use either a CD or a cell phone. If using a CD, please make sure the performance song is all that is on your CD. Please write your name and phone number on your CD. No like-talent is allowed on the recording, i.e. vocal, tap dancing, any like-instrument, etc. This will be carefully monitored.

**Time Limit:** Performance is to be 4 minutes or less. Any act that performs over the 4-minute time limit will be disqualified as per State Competition rules.

**Limit of entries:** We can only accept 15 entries per division. Contest organizers reserve the right to limit the number of entries from a dance or music studio if the total number of entries reaches 15 per division. A "will-call" list will be created if necessary. Entries will be accepted in the order they are received.

**State Competition:** All winners will advance to the state competition in Springfield in January. The runner-up act can represent if the winner is not able to compete.

**How to enter:** Your entry can either be mailed or made through the fair website. A \$5 entry fee will also be required at time of entry. This will be non-refundable.

Please contact Lisa Hackler (217-474-9753), the fair webpage or talent contest email if you have any questions.

Fair website: [www.georgetownfair.org](http://www.georgetownfair.org)

Talent Contest email: [georgetownfairtalent@gmail.com](mailto:georgetownfairtalent@gmail.com)



