

# **Cattaraugus County Fair**

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## **Talent Show**

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**Mini Contest:**  
**Ages 12 and under**  
**August 1, 2011**  
**1:00 p.m.**

**Maxi Contest:**  
**Ages 13 and over**  
**August 3, 2011**  
**1:00 p.m.**

**Free Entry!!!**  
**Trophy and Cash Prizes!!!**

**For More Information,**  
**please call the Fair Office at 938-9146**

**ANY QUESTION PLEASE CALL 938-9146**

**MINI & MAXI RULES:**

- 1. Age limits are: Mini - 12 years and under, Maxi - 13 years and over. Age of each contestant as of August 1, 2011. An accompanist is considered part of the act and will be judged. Please be advised as per rule #2.**
- 2. The 50% rule will be adhered to concerning groups – In a duo, if one contestant is 12 and under and the other is 13 and over, then they will compete in the MAXI DIVISION. In a group of three or larger, if 50% or more of the group is 13 and over, they will compete in the Maxi Division. NO CONTESTANT OVER THE AGE OF 14 MAY PERFORM IN A MINI DIVISION GROUP INCLUDING ACCOMPANISTS.**
- 3. Time limit for each act must not exceed five (5) minutes. Any act running over 5 minutes will be disqualified. Acts will be timed.**
- 4. Contestants must be strictly amateur. Any performer who has accepted money for any prior performances will NOT be able to participate. Prize money is not considered a payment.**
- 5. To be eligible for the New York State Fair Talent Showcase, contestants must have performed AND placed in the top 25 in a County Fair Talent Show held in the county of the contestant's residence. Please remember that contestants who audition in one county are not eligible to audition in another county. NOTE: In a group situation, if all performers do not live in the same county, the group should compete in the county that the majority of performers reside.**
- 6. A contestant can perform a maximum of three times – ONE (1) solo and as a member of only TWO (2) other groups or 3 groups with NO SOLO. If this rule is violated, the contestant and the group will be disqualified.**
- 7. Teachers are not permitted to compete or perform in their professional talent.**
- 8. Contestants using music for their performance must have the cassettes or CD's labeled and ready to go. The cassette or CD must contain only the selection to be performed on it. The cassette also MUST be recorded loud and on high quality. CD's will be refused if the performance song is not the only song on it. LOUD TAPES ARE RECOMMENDED!!!! IF IS SEEMS LOUD ON YOUR PERSONAL CD PLAYER, IT IS NOT LOUD ENOUGH!!!! Individual will be responsible for his or her own tape or CD. The tape or CD will be given 2 tries. After that, the individual must sing or dance w/o it or withdraw.**
- 9. \*\*\*\*\*A sound system (CD and tape) is provided by the Fair Association. YOU MUST BRING YOUR OWN KEYBOARD FOR PIANO PLAYING/ACCOMPLIANMENT.**
- 10. There is no entry fee for the contest. Gate admission is as follows: 1 performer may bring in 1 parent. No others are allowed on to the grounds without paying the gate fee.**

11. The top three scorers of both days will be honored with the Overall prizes – trophies and prize money.
12. No cars will be permitted on the fairgrounds. All parking is in the back of the grounds.
13. All scheduling is final as of the week before the show. NO CHANGES will be made the day of the show. If you require additional time for set up, please make this note on the application.
14. NO ACTS CONSISTING OF LIP SYNC WILL BE PERMITTED. Cassettes/CD's must not have any primary vocals on them.
15. NO CONTESTANT WHO ENTERS IN ANY OTHER LOCAL COMPETITION WILL BE ALLOWED TO ENTER IN THE CATT. CO. FAIR CONTEST. CONTESTANTS WHO AUDITION IN ONE COUNTY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE TO AUDITION IN ANOTHER.

**CATEGORIES:**

Vocal Solo	Vocal Duet/Group
Instrumental Solo	Instrumental Duet/Group
Dance Solo	Dance Duet/Group
Variety Solo	Variety Duet/Group
~~ Acrobatic Act is considered Variety	
~~ Variety also consists of any act involving both singing & dancing or singing & instrumental	

**PRIZES:**

1<sup>st</sup> - \$20.00 & Trophy  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$15.00 & Ribbon  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$10.00 & Ribbon

**OVERALL PRIZES: (combination of both days)**

1<sup>st</sup> - \$35.00 & Trophy  
 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$25.00 & Trophy  
 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$15.00 & Trophy

# **2011 Cattaraugus County Talent Show Application**

**THIS INFORMATION MUST BE FILLED OUT OR YOU WILL NOT COMPETE!!  
FOR EACH DIFFERENT ACT, PLEASE MAKE OUT A DIFFERENT APPLICATION**

**NAME(S) & AGE(S)** \_\_\_\_\_

**MAILING ADDRESS** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_

**SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBERS OF ALL CONTESTANTS (Required)** \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF ACT** \_\_\_\_\_

**SONG TITLE** \_\_\_\_\_

**TYPE OF ACCOMPANIMENT** \_\_\_\_\_

**ANY ADDITIONAL NOTES FOR SCHEDULING** \_\_\_\_\_

**ALL JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL  
SCHEDULING IS AT THE DISCRETION OF THE SUPERVISOR.  
ALL SCHEDULING IS FINAL AS OF July 31, 2011.**

**APPLICATION DEADLINE  
JULY 28, 2011  
NO APPLICATIONS AFTER THIS DATE - NO EXCEPTIONS!**

**Return to:  
Cattaraugus Co. Fair Talent Dept.  
PO BOX 182  
Little Valley, NY 14755**