



2019 McLeod County Fair 40th Annual Amateur Talent Contest

Sunday, August 18 at 12:00 pm
North Corporate Tent

Divisions: Open, Teen (13-18), Pre-Teen (12 & Under)

ENTRY RULES & INFORMATION

1. The contest is open to all amateur entertainers - any age - either individuals or groups. Professionals, including union musicians, or those whose talent is a major source of income, are not permitted to enter. Former First Place teen or preteen winners are required to compete in the Open Division if they choose to compete again.
2. Interested individuals or groups are required to submit an official entry form, along with a \$15.00 entry fee. (Checks should be made payable to the McLeod County Fair.) \$5.00 will be refunded upon completion of your act on competition day. **Entry deadline is August 10**; later entries will be accepted as long as the divisions are not full.
3. Time limit on acts (including any personal introduction by the contestant): 4 minutes. Points will be deducted for contestants going overtime. Musical groups and soloists are allowed to perform a medley of tunes, but must remain within the 4-minute time frame.
4. CD's may be used as accompaniment for dance acts, baton, lip sync, etc. Vocalists may use taped accompaniment provided CD contains instrumental accompaniment ONLY... absolutely no back-up vocals are allowed on recorded accompaniment. A keyboard will be available. Contestants must provide their own accompanist who, when not part of the act, may be any age.
5. A competent board of judges will be engaged, and the decision of the judges will be final. Entrants will perform for judging on stage.
6. Prizes in the amateur talent are:

<u>Open Division</u>	<u>Teen Division (13- 18)</u>	<u>Pre-Teen (12 & under)</u>
1st Place - \$125.00	1st Place - \$65.00	1st Place - \$55.00
2nd Place - \$75.00	2nd Place - \$40.00	2nd Place - \$35.00
3rd Place - \$45.00	3rd Place - \$25.00	3rd Place - \$25.00

IN ADDITION, one winning entry in each division will be automatically entered as a semi-finalist representing McLeod County in the Minnesota State Fair Amateur Talent Contest, which offers cash prizes for nightly winners as well as finalist trophies and prizes.

For further Information, Call:
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ALL AGES ARE WELCOME AND ENCOURAGED TO PARTICIPATE!