

Second Annual Junior Amateur Talent Competition!

Wednesday July 27th - Preliminaries: Check in & Late Registration 5:00 - 5:45pm

Thursday July 28th - Finals: Check in 5:00 - 5:45pm

Dunn County Fairgrounds: Free Stage

Please complete the attached registration form and return to:

Positive Alternatives
Attn: Talent Competition
603 Terrill Road
Menomonie, WI 54751

Contestant Name: _____ Age _____

Address: _____

Phone number: _____

Email address: _____

Act: _____

By signing this registration form contestants agree to have their name and/or photographs used during media coverage of the event. Contestants must have parent signature. Contestants understand that Positive Alternatives, Inc. is no way responsible for the outcome of the event and all judges' decisions are final. Any props or instruments must be brought to the competition by you, the contestant. To be registered for the event you must complete this form.

Contestant Signature _____ *Date _____

Parent Signature _____ *Date _____



Welcome to the competition, we are excited to meet you!

* If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact the Competition Coordinator, Anngi at 715.230.9275 or infiniteeventexperts@gmail.com

**The following two pages are information and guidelines for the State Fair for those who advance. You should also follow these guidelines for the local competitions.

WISCONSIN STATE FAIR

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2016 Wisconsin State Fair

Junior Amateur Talent Competition

- Date: Friday, August 12, 2016
- Place: Activity Stage
- Time: Noon – 3pm
- Performances limited to 3 minutes each, one minute set-up
- Championship round will be conducted based on number of contestants
- All participants must be legal residents of Wisconsin
- The Talent Competition is a state wide program. The competition will not be limited to a specific county or area
- Four basic talent areas (not sub-divisions): Dance, Vocal, Instrumental, Variety
- Two age divisions: Youth (2-12 yr), Teen (13-18 yr)
- 3 judges, industry professionals
- One winner from each age division at the local/county event will advance to the Wisconsin State Fair Competition
- WSF Prize Money awarded 1st, 2nd & 3rd in each age division
- WSF Trophies and ribbons will be awarded
- Local/County events determine their own prize structure
- No more than 5 participants in an act
- No combos, rock bands or similar groups permitted
- This is NOT a battle of the bands competition
- WSF Admission provided only to the contestant
- 2015 had 24 events participating, looking for more!

2016 Wisconsin State Fair Junior Amateur Talent Competition Contestant Rules

1. Show is open to legal residents of the state of Wisconsin only. Acts must appear in a locally sponsored/WSF sanctioned show somewhere in the state of Wisconsin and win to be eligible to compete at the Wisconsin State Fair. Judge's decisions are final.
2. Youth: 2 through 12 years
Teen: 13 through 18 years
A person's age for the Wisconsin State Fair competition is determined at the time they win a local show. A 12-year-old (or 18 year old) could turn 13 (or 19) by State Fair and still be eligible in the Youth (or Teen) division, as they met age requirements at the time of qualification.
3. Youth acts will be permitted to have one performer who is 13years old only. If a performer in a Youth act turns 13 before the State Fair, thus making the Youth act have two or more 13-year-olds, that act will automatically become a Teen act. Any performer who is 14 years or older will not be allowed to perform in a Youth act.
4. Acts are required to keep the performance at three minutes or less. Acts running longer than three minutes are subject to possible disqualification or point deduction. This will be at the judge's discretion. Set-up time is not included in the three minute limit. Please limit set-up time to one minute.
5. No more than five persons are allowed in an act. Accompanists are not considered part of the act and can be of any age. Please limit the number of accompanists to three. Drums, amps, etc. are discouraged due to the one-minute set-up time. No combos, rock bands or similar musical groups permitted. This is NOT a battle of the bands competition.
6. Acts are asked to not dance onto or off the stage before introductions. After introductions, contestants may take any position they wish to begin their performance.
7. **Vocalists are strongly encouraged to practice and perform with the assistance of a vocal coach and/or a live accompanist. We understand that live accompanists are expensive and sometimes very difficult to obtain for some performers. We do allow recorded accompaniment. The judges' preference is a single instrument. Multiple tracks, although permitted, are not suggested. This is not a karaoke contest. Any prerecorded track with backing vocals is not allowed, and the act will be disqualified.**
8. Contestants may only appear once in any given show. This applies to qualifying shows as well as the competition at the Wisconsin State Fair. They may not perform "solo" and then return in the same show in a duet or trio. Contestants are allowed to perform in different acts in different qualifying shows, but they may only qualify for the State Fair Show with one act.
9. Professionals are NOT permitted to compete. This includes Union musicians and anyone whose principle source of income is from their talent. Compensation for performing at weddings, etc. does not constitute principle source of income.