Greene County Talent Show Information and Rules

Information:

- The talent show will take place on June 1st, 2024 at the Greene County Fair Grandstands
- There will be a \$5.00 Entry fee for each entry into the Talent Show if received by May 20th, 2024.
 - Any act wishing to register after the above date or on the day of the competition will have a \$10.00 Entry fee.
- There will be a limit to the number of acts to ensure time requirements are met. If the limit has been met priority will be given to Greene County entries.
- Each act will be allowed one Chaperone into the gate and grandstands free of charge.

Liability statement: The Greene County Fair Board, Talent Contest committee and its sponsors will not be held liable for any injury or damage to person or property that may occur during practice or competition. You practice and compete at your own risk.

If contest rules are not followed, act will be disqualified, and all awards will be forfeited.

Rules:

- This is an amateur contest. Anyone who performs regularly for pay is NOT considered an amateur.
- Judging will focus on ability, costume, audience appeal and stage presentation. Judges' results are final.
- All acts will be separated into two age groupings as set by the IAAF State Competition Rules
 - Two divisions are set by IAAF State Rules:
 - Junior cannot be 15 by Oct. 1 of the competition year
 - Senior cannot be 21 by Oct 1 of the competition year
 - The Oldest contestant in the group will decide the group's age division.

- The talent competition is open to acts from Greene, Jersey, Calhoun, Scott, and Macoupin Counties
 - All Solo acts must reside or attend school in one of the open counties.
 - If you have a group of performers 2/3rds of the performers in the group must reside in one of the open counties.
- If you have previously won the IAAF State Talent Contest you may not compete in the Greene County Talent Competition in that same age division, type and grouping.
- If you have won another county competition for the current contest year, you may not compete in the Greene County Talent Competition
- Greene County Junior and Senior Division winners cannot compete in the same age division, type and grouping the year after the win.
- Contestants are limited to two acts. Acts must be of different types or groupings.
 - Contestants may be limited to one act each if acts of competition exceed the limit.
- The Talent Show Committee will provide sound, and handheld microphones only. Acts must provide all other equipment and props required for competition.
- All acts must provide their own musical accompaniment, if needed. Record accompaniment may be on a flash drive. If music does not play act will be disqualified if a 2nd copy cannot be produced within 2 acts of the originally scheduled time.
 - Limit of 4 minutes per act. Set-up for acts limited to 3 minutes.
 - Like talent on recording is not allowed. (i.e., vocal, taps, or like instruments)
 - Practice time will be from 11:30 1:00 p.m. on the day of the contest. First come first served, the talent show director will not monitor the practice area. Each Act should plan no more than 15 min of practice time
 - Stage is a concrete floor that is a minimum of 24 foot by 20 feet deep.

- No dressing rooms will be provided, each Act will be responsible for arriving prepared to perform or have other arrangements for changing into performance attire.
- First place winners in the Junior and Senior Divisions will advance to the Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs State Talent Contest (IAAF) to be held the weekend of Martin Luther King Jr. Day in January the year following the contest.
 - If the winner cannot perform or is ineligible to perform, the 2nd place winner will be invited to compete.
- IAAF State Talent Contest rules can be found online