

2021 GRUNDY COUNTY FAIR TALENT CONTEST

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Wednesday, June 30 – 6:00 PM

Come and Enjoy the Fine Foods along with the Talent Show

(Professional entertainers are not eligible as defined in rule #2)

PLEASE THOROUGHLY READ AND UNDERSTAND ALL RULES!

PAY SPECIAL ATTENTION TO RULES NUMBER 1, 3, AND 4!

- 1) The Grundy County Fair Talent Show will adhere to the rules of the 2021 Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs State Talent Contest.
- 2) A professional entertainer is someone who has a lot of experience or skill in a particular job or activity and for this contest you may not participate if you have been paid fees for performing in your area of talent. Example: The dancer may not enter as a dance contestant or anyone engaged in a specified activity as one's paid occupation rather than as a pastime. However, a dancer who has been paid may enter as a singer.
- 3) The entry or act can only represent one county fair. Each fair may enter only one Junior and one Senior act per year. Entry must represent the county in which they won an actual talent competition in 2021. Runner up act can represent if winner cannot compete.
- 4) Any act that performs over the 4-minute time limit will be disqualified. **Contestant is not to give an introduction to their act.** The MC will announce the Contestant and the act begins.
- 5) Age limits each division:
 - a. **Junior Division:** All contestants can be 14 years old or younger on the day and date of the local contest. Junior division contestants can be 15 years old when competing at the State Level in January, if they met the age requirements at their local contest.
 - b. **Senior Division:** Contestants cannot be over 21 years of age on the day and date of their local contest. Senior division contestants can be 22 years old when competing at the State Level in January, if they met the age requirements at their local contest.
- 6) Floor mikes are the only equipment furnished. Floor mats and lavalier mikes will need to be furnished by the contestants.
- 7) The panel of judges' decisions will be final.
- 8) There will be a setup time limit of 3 minutes per act. This will be controlled and timed if necessary.
- 9) To lessen sound prop confusion. **When using a CD taped accompaniment, only the song the contestant is using shall be on the CD. No like talent is allowed on the recording. ie. vocal, tap dancing, any like instrument, etc.** This will be carefully monitored.
- 10) Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place contestants in each division. Prize money for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each division will be \$100, \$75 and \$50. The Grundy County Fair board will also pay the entry fee for the state contest.
- 11) The winners of the Junior and Senior Divisions are expected to compete in Springfield in January of 2022 at the Illinois Association of Agricultural Fairs Convention. Upon acceptance of check and trophy the winning contestant agrees to compete and represent Grundy County. Winning contestant shall forfeit prize money and trophy if contestant represents another county fair at state competition and state director shall be notified. In case the winning entry cannot appear in the state contest due to illness or other similar excusable reason, the talent director shall be notified and the first runner-up will be eligible for the state contest.
- 12) There will be a panel of judges and their decision shall be final. Judging of the performance will be based on 50 points.

APPEARANCE – 5 points, STAGE – 15 points, AUDIENCE APPEAL – 5 points, ABILITY – 25 points

An independent auditor will individually audit all scorecards.
- 13) **Entries must be registered with the director of the talent contest by June 22, 2021 NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT DATE.**

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Mail Entries To: **Angela Baumeister**
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Entries from Professional Entertainers will not be accepted nor will they be allowed to perform in competition.

Junior Division (14 years old or younger) Senior Division (21 yrs old or younger): (Please Check Division Box)

Name of Individual of Group – List Name(s) of Each Member of the Act and Age on June 30, 2021

Name of Contact Person:

Email:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Contact Phone Number - Home:

Cell:

Type of Act:

Song Name & Artist Name:

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFO