

Henry County Fair Talent Contest

Saturday, June 26, 2010 at 9:00 AM

"MEC" Tent

Superintendent: Britta Hixon (309) 714-1193

Deadline for Entries: Monday, June 7, 2010/ Late entries \$10.00 fee

Check in Time: 8-9 a.m.

Official Talent Contest Rules of the State Competition in January 2010 will apply.

Professional Entertainers are NOT Eligible. **Contestant must live in and go to school in Henry County, IL.**

Rule 1 Entries that win first place at the Henry County Fair and later represent another county at the state level may not enter the Henry County Fair Talent Contest for the next two years. Entries **must** represent the county in which they won. Runner-up may represent the county in the event the winner cannot compete. The entry can represent only one county fair.

Rule 2 Any act that goes over the 4-minute performance time limit will be disqualified.

Rule 3 When using **cassette tapes or CDs** for accompaniment, they **cannot have "like" talent on them**, i.e. vocal, tap dancing, any like instruments and so forth. What this means is that you can't have the same thing you are doing on the cassette. Thus singers cannot have background singing in their backup music and dancers cannot have the sound of tap/Irish dancing or other type of dancing on the background music.

Rule 4 Junior Division entries must be at least 6 years of age and not over 14 years of age on the date of the Henry County Fair talent contest. Senior Division entries must be over 14 years of age on day of talent contest and not over 22 years of age.

Rule 5 No Sr. Division winner or winners at the state level can return to compete in the Henry County Talent Contest as participants. Junior Division winner or winners at the county and/or state levels may return to compete in the senior level only, providing they meet the age requirement of the Sr. Division.

Rule 6 The sound system will be supplied by the fair and include a tape and CD player. Contestant must furnish any other equipment needed.

Rule 7 There will be a panel of judges and their decision will be final.

Rule 8 Certificates will be awarded in each division along with best costume.

Rule 9 No entry fee is required. You must pay the normal gate fee when you enter the fairgrounds.

Rule 10 **The fair will pay for the State Competition ENTRY FEE, but is not responsible for any other expenses incurred at the State Competition level, they are the sole responsibility of the contestant.**

Rule 11 **Contestants may only perform 1 time as a member of a group/ duet and one time as an individual per division at the state level.** Example: You are in the JUNIOR DIVISION- 2010 went to state as a individual, 2009 as a duet, they may not go to state with dance group in 2011 in the junior division.

Rule 12 **All contestants must sign a liability waiver before performing.** Signing the waiver will signify the contestant has read, understands and intends to abide by the rules of the fair and contest.

Prizes (for each division): 1st place - \$50.00, 2nd - \$25.00, 3rd - \$15.00

First place will be paid \$25.00 at time of win and the other \$25.00 after they compete at State.

Contact Person: _____ Name/Type of Act: _____

Address: _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone: (____) _____ Title of Music _____

List of Members and Ages _____

Mail Entries to: Henry County Fair, Connie Johnson, P.O. Box 105, Cambridge, Illinois 61238