



The Oxford Park Commission and Yoknapatawpha Arts Council present a community talent show “Oxford’s Got Talent”.

The program and contest is designed to highlight the diverse talents of members of the community. The program is open to all residents of Lafayette County.

Rules

The contest is limited to individual performers. No bands, groups, or troupes. The performer may present any talent that would fit into a family oriented program such as singing, performance on a musical instrument, magic, or dance.

Performers may have live or recorded accompaniment, assistants, or stage assistants but their support must be limited to the technical requirements and an assisting role.

Performers requiring supporting music must provide their own backing music on cd cued to their selected music. Performers will be provided with the following equipment for their performance: 2 microphones, 2 direct input boxes, regular power supply, 1 monitor, 2 speakers

Performers must be able to set up for their performance in the allotted 4 minute time or they will be penalized off their score.

Performer must be available for both the rehearsal and the performance. Failure to attend the rehearsal will result in disqualification from the talent contest.

Performer must be able to perform their talent with in the 7 minute timeframe allotted each contestant.

Performers act or talent can not contain any action or skill that may be knowingly harmful or dangerous (juggling with fire).

Performers in the junior division must be supervised by an adult/guardian during the rehearsal and performance.

Judging

Performers will be judged on the following criteria:

Quality of Performance	30 points
Talent	30 points
Engagement of the Audience	30 points
Originality of Performance/Interpretation of Existing Work	10 points

In the event of a tie the judges will select a winner based on the performers with the tied scores.

There will be two categories of contestant:

Junior Division: consists of all contestants below age 16

Adult Division: consists of all contestants age 16 and above

Number of performers will be limited to the time limit of the show.

Qualifying for Oxford's Got Talent:

Performers can qualify in two manners:

Submission of video or cd:

Performers can submit an appropriate format for their talent DVD or cd for review by the judges by March 1, 2010 to the Arts Council.

By mail:

Oxford's Got Talent P.O. Box 544 Oxford, MS 38655

In Person: Powerhouse Community Arts Center 413 South 14th Street, Oxford, MS

Submitted materials will not be returned.

Live Audition:

Performers may request a live audition. Each audition will be limited to the 7 minutes and be offered in the order of sign up on the day of auditions.

Auditions will take place at the Powerhouse Community Arts Center on Monday, March 1, 2010 from 6:30 to 8:30pm. Registration and sign up will begin at 5:30p.m.

Prizes:

- Trophy from OPC & Arts Council
- Prizes and Gift Certificates from local merchants
- Cash prize from the Arts Council

For more information:

Phone 662-236-6429 www.yacoperations.com



OXFORD'S GOT TALENT

Application

Name: _____

Age: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Talent:

Singer Musician: (instrument): _____

Dancer Other: _____

Return Application to:

**Oxford's Got Talent
P.O. Box 544
Oxford, MS 38655**

Application Check List:

- Application**
- CD or DVD**
- Submission Fee \$5 (payable to YAC)**

Important Dates:

Application Deadline/Live Audition: March 1, 2010

Rehearsal: March 22, 2010

Talent Contest: March 23, 2010

Performers, parents/guardians of minor performers, agree that names, images and likeness may be used in news reporting, documenting, and in promotional materials which may include but not limited to: website, print advertising, posters, flyers, and news paper stories.

Performers, during auditions and the talent contest, recognize that they may be asked to perform on a stage and in a theatre environment and accept all risks and agree to hold harmless the staff, volunteers, board and organizers of the Oxford's Got Talent contest and the Oxford Park Commission, and Yoknapatawpha Arts Council.

Submitted by: _____

Date: _____

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