

Senior Citizen Talent Contest



Friday, July 30, 2021, at the Witham stage

10:30am Check-in 11:00am Competition begins

Registration – must be submitted by
10:30 am Friday, July 30th

RULES AND REGULATIONS ORGANIZATION OF CONTEST

1. All contestants in the Senior Citizen Talent Contest must be 55 years of age or older and registered by 10:30 am on **July 30, 2021**.
2. Entries will be accepted in the following categories:
 - (A) Vocal Solo (female or male) / Vocal Group
 - (B) Instrumental Solo / Group
 - (C) Open Class / Free Choice (i.e. Dance, Story Telling, Poetry Recital, Comedy, Etc.)

All acts are asked to limit their performance time to a maximum of 5 minutes.

The following descriptions are to be used as guidelines and are subject to the interpretation of the coordinators of the Senior Citizen Talent Contest:

A. **Vocal Solo (female or male)**

Shall consist of a solo performance by a vocalist. Instrumental accompaniment by herself/himself or others is allowed, but must assume the pure character of accompaniment. Any background vocal on tape must be minimal.

Vocal Group

Shall consist of a performance by two or more male and/or female performers. Instrumental accompaniment by themselves or others is allowed, but must assume the pure character of accompaniment. Any background vocal on tape must be minimal.

B. **Instrumental Solo / Group**

Shall consist of a solo or group instrumental performance by a male or female without vocal utterance. Accompaniment is allowed, but must assume pure character of accompaniment. The test shall be whether the solo performance would stand alone if the accompaniment were removed. No instrument of the same nature may be used for accompaniment.

C. Open Class / Free Choice

Shall consist of a performance by a male or female and may include accompaniment, but must assume pure character of accompaniment. Some performances that would qualify under this category listing may include, (but are not limited to) dance performance, story-telling, poetry recital, comedy routine, magic act, etc.

3. The coordinators of the Senior Citizen Talent Contest reserve the right to assign acts to what they determine to be the proper categories. Any questions shall be resolved by the coordinators of the Senior Citizen Talent Contest and their decision is final.

4. All acts shall be of quality nature. Any lewd or inappropriate acts will be immediately disqualified. All decisions by the judges and/or coordinators of the Senior Citizen Talent Contest are final.

ENTRIES

1. The Hot Dog Festival Senior Citizen Talent Contest is open to non-professionals only. "Professional" is defined as anyone who is a union member, who has a professional manager or whose principal and/or self-supporting income is derived from performing.

2. Every contestant in the Senior Citizen Talent Contest must be a Clinton County resident, and 55 years of age or older. The only exception: A contestant may reside in an adjoining Indiana county if the majority of his/her activities are in Clinton County (i.e. work, church, volunteer, etc.).

3. A contestant may have one entry in as many as two categories of competition at the Hot Dog Festival Senior Citizen Talent Contest.

4. A limited number of entries in each category are available. No more than 10 Contestants will be selected. Registration is **due by 10:30 am, July 30, 2021**, and acts are limited to 5 minutes per act.

5. No fire will be allowed on the stage. Any attempt to circumvent this rule shall result in immediate disqualification.

6. All acts will use only the lighting system provided by the Frankfort Hot Dog Festival.

7. All acts will use only the sound system and sound operator provided by the Frankfort Hot Dog Festival; however, instrumentalists may bring their own amplifiers if needed. All music must be on CD or Jump drive, cued, labeled with the act's name and address, and brought to the **11:00 am** check-in of the Senior Citizen Talent Contest the day of the competition.

8. Recorded accompaniment for acts entered in any vocal category must be purely instrumental.
9. Only the performers will be allowed on stage. (Exception: Accompanists)
10. Only one person, other than the performer(s) visible on stage, allowed backstage with each act.

JUDGING

1. A panel of three or more individuals will serve as the judges during the Frankfort Hot Dog Festival Senior Citizen Talent Contest. **Any decisions made by the judges will be final.**
2. Scoring will be based on the following criteria:

ENTRY #_____

Judging will be based on the following criteria (60 point maximum):

Overall Performance (1-20): _____
 Audience Response (1-10): + _____
 Stage Appearance (1-10): + _____
 Originality (1-10): + _____
 Personality (1-10): + _____
 Total: _____
 *Time Deduction: - _____
 Overall Total: _____

*NOTE: 5 points will be automatically deducted if performance time exceeds time allotted.
 Critique:

Contest: Friday, July 30, 2021

11:00–12:00 pm

PLEASE PRINT

Name of act

(As you wish it to appear in the program)

Musical selection to be performed

Category (Please circle one)

Vocal Solo Vocal Group Instrumental Solo Instrumental Group Open Class/Free Choice

Description of act

Equipment needs

Will bring a CD Yes No

Check **ALL** that apply:

table keyboard
 chair microphone with stand
 stool hand-held microphone
 extension cord

Other: _____

Name(s) of Contestant(s)
(Attach list if needed)

Address

Date of Birth

Group Name (if applicable)

Name of person in charge of act

Address

Daytime phone number

Email address

How did you hear about this contest?

Special Requirements (i.e. Uses walker, etc.)

Please provide any details or background information about yourself or your group that you may want to have mentioned during your stage introduction. This could include (but is not limited to) the following:

How long have you been performing?

How or when did you first become interested in performing?

What are some of your hobbies besides the talent you'll share during this contest?

Have you given/taken musical lessons of any sort? If so, what type?

What led you to make the selection that you will share at the contest?

Is there anything else you wish to share or have announced as you take the stage or before you begin your performance at the talent contest?

Thank you for choosing to participate in the **Hot Dog Festival Senior Citizen Talent Contest!** We truly appreciate you sharing your time and talent with all of us.

Registration Deadline: July 30, 2021

Return completed entry form to:

Frankfort Main Street, Inc.
62 N Main Street
Frankfort, IN 46041

_____ **I give my permission for my act to be photographed and/or videotaped.**

Signed: _____