

GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY FAIR TALENT SHOW

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1. The talent show is open to all ages. There will be three age divisions and contestants will compete only with those in the same division. Divisions will be Juniors (6-12), Teens (13-17) and Adults (18 years and up).
2. The talent show is open to both individuals and groups of individuals. A person may appear in one act only.
3. The talent show is open to amateurs **ONLY**. **Any individual or group who are paid for performing will be considered professionals and shall be disqualified.**
4. The talent show competition is open to residents of Grays Harbor, Thurston, Mason, Lewis and Pacific counties **ONLY**.
5. Applications are available at Grays Harbor County Fair Office in Elma, on the website www.ghcfairgrounds.com, or call the office @ 360-482-2651, for one to be mailed to you.
6. **Auditions will be held Monday, June 13th at 6:00 & Wednesday, June 15th at 6:00 pm** in the Pavilion Meeting Room @ Grays Harbor County Fairgrounds, Elma, Washington. Contestants will be auditioned on a first come, first served basis.
7. From the auditions, 15 finalists will be selected to compete at the County Fair. The Fair may reduce the number of contestants, if fewer than 12 applications are received. Each finalist will receive a special one-day pass to enter the Fair to compete in the Talent Show.
8. **The Talent Show will be presented at 6:00 p.m. on the Elma Feed & Farm Supply Stage on Friday, August 12, 2011** during the County Fair. Each of the selected contestants to appear during the Fair **MUST** report to the Elma Feed & farm Supply Stage one (1) hour prior to the start of the Talent Show.
9. Each contestant will be allowed no more than five (5) minutes on stage. Ten percent of the contestant's points will be deducted for each minute or part of a minute the contestant runs over five (5) minutes in length.
10. Acts using music will be allowed one song or tune, up to a maximum of five (5) minutes total – Rule 9 applies.
11. A compact disc player and/or cassette player will be provided. The Fair provides no other equipment. The Fair is not responsible for CD's or cassette tapes left at the audition or the show.
12. Contestants must perform the same act in the finals as was performed in the audition (i.e. must be the same song or dance act.)
13. Contestants placing first in their division **as either an individual or group** will not be eligible for competition in the next years Talent Show in the same division.
14. A panel of three judges, selected by the Talent Show Coordinator, will judge contestants.
15. One prize only will be awarded for first place (cash), and second place cash for each age division whether it is an individual, duo, or group act. Prize money will be paid by check four to six weeks following the Fair.
16. Talent will be judged on the following criteria:

Poise (confidence, cover mistakes well, etc.)	10 points
Physical Appearance (neatness, costuming)	10 points
Stage Presence (audience appeal, smile)	10 points
Overall impression	20 points
Talent (music, ability, coordination, etc.)	50 points
TOTAL	100 points

**GRAYS HARBOR COUNTY FAIR
31st ANNUAL TALENT SHOW
APPLICATION**

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NAME:_____

ADDRESS:_____

CITY:_____ZIP:_____

DAY PHONE NUMBER:_____

DIVISION: _____Junior (6-12 years) **Age(s)** _____
 _____Teen (13-17 years) **Age(s)** _____
 _____Adult (18 years & up) **Age(s)** _____

NAME OF ACT:_____

TYPE OF ACT:_____ (singing, dancing, etc.)

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ACT: _____

You will be signed up for an audition after this application is received. Please be on time for your audition as there will be many participants. Be ready with all of your equipment when you are called for your audition. From the auditions, 15 finalists will be selected to participate at the Fair. Please read through all rules enclosed within this brochure.

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