

**ENTRY FORM**  
**13th ANNUAL HERRINFESTA ITALIANA TALENT CONTEST**

**Herrin Civic Center Auditorium**

**6:00 pm**

**Wednesday, May 25, 2016**

**ENTRY FEE IS \$25.00 AND ENTRY DEADLINE IS MONDAY, MAY 15, 2016**

CLASS A:	Kindergarten through Second Grade	<b>Prizes in All 6 Categories.</b>	
CLASS B:	Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grade	<b>First Prize</b>	<b>\$ 100.00</b>
CLASS C:	Sixth, Seventh & Eighth Grade	<b>Second Prize</b>	<b>\$ 75.00</b>
CLASS D:	All Senior High Students		
CLASS E:	College (all students must currently be registered for college classes)		
CLASS F:	Adult (anyone who is at least 21 years and above)		
CLASS G:	Bands (any type, any ages)		

(Student must be in these grades – or have just completed these grades – on the day of the event.)

Tickets for the talent contest will be \$5.00 and will be available at the door. **Anyone taking up a seat, any age, must purchase a ticket.**

**RULES AND REGULATIONS**

- 1.Performers can be from anywhere.
  - 2.Entry fee is \$25.00 a person or group. Make checks payable to HerrinFesta Italiana and return along with entry form.
  - 3.The oldest student in the group determines the class students perform in.
  - 4.Groups are (A) K-2<sup>nd</sup>; (B) 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>; (C) 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup>; (D) Senior High; (E) College (F) Adult (G) Bands
  - 5.Students may be in only one solo performance and each performance must not exceed three minutes. Same person may also be part of a group.
  - 6.No entry fee will be returned after they have been accepted in the talent show.
  - 7.Once a performer has won first prize, they cannot perform again in that group in another year. When their age qualifies, they can move up a category and compete again. (Exceptions in collage & adult groups).
  - 8.No songs will be duplicated, so the first application determines who has first rights to this song.
  - 9.If you are presently taking lessons of any kind, you must submit the instructor's name.
  - 10.There will be no rehearsal, so come ready to perform.
  - 11.Stand mic, hand-held cordless mic, lapel mic, headset mic, and piano will be furnished.
  - 12.Performers in the talent contest will remain backstage in a supervised area until taken on stage for the announcement of the winners. No performers will be allowed to enter the theatre to "watch". In addition, no parents will be allowed backstage. There will be plenty of chaperones and workers backstage to care for all in the competition.
  - 13.Set-up time for any act has a 3-minute limit. Practice setting up to be sure you can get it done in that amount of time.
  - 14.When using a tape or cd accompaniment, no like talent is allowed on the recording, i.e. back-up singers, any like instrument, tap dancing, etc.
  - 15.Almost any type of act is possible: tumbling, pom squads, cheerleading, juggling, magic, pianists, solos or duets or trios (etc.) on any instrument(s), singers, singing groups, twirlers, dancers, monologues, and the list goes on and on.
  - 16.Acts will be judged on costume/attire (10%), audience appeal (10%), stage presentation (30%), and ability (50%).
  - 17.After your application is received, you will receive specific instructions via mail concerning the night of the competition.
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18. There are limited spaces available in each category. Spots will be filled on first-come, first-serve basis. The first entries received will perform last, so it is advantageous to get your application in early if you wish not to go first.  
19. Entry forms for the HerrinFesta Italiana Talent Contest are available online at [www.herrinfesta.com](http://www.herrinfesta.com), at the Herrin Chamber of Commerce office, or by phoning Karen Sala at 618-942-6264.

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**HERRINFESTA TALENT CONTEST ENTRY FORM**

**Due by May 15, 2016**

Name of individual or group \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
Instructor's name \_\_\_\_\_

If there are several (more than one) performers in the act, list all names and ages (as of date of contest) and grade in school on the back of this sheet. If there is a group where members are from more than one age group, the group will compete with the ones in the highest group.

Title of Number (Example – “The Entertainer”) \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Talent (Example – piano, dance, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Accompaniment (tape, CD, piano, guitar) please describe \_\_\_\_\_

For further information on Talent Contest, contact Karen Sala, (618) 942-6264.  
Mail entry form & \$ 25.00 check (payable to HerrinFesta Italiana) to: Karen Sala, 1505 Laura Lane, Herrin IL 62948.

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. of Applicant or contact person \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

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You may also enter the Williamson County Fair Talent Contest. These two contests will be held concurrently – with two separate sets of judges.

Check here if you wish ONLY to also enter the Williamson County Talent Contest \_\_\_\_\_  
Check here if you wish ONLY to enter the HerrinFesta Talent Contest \_\_\_\_\_  
Check here if you wish to enter both contests \_\_\_\_\_

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# 11th Annual Williamson County Fair Talent Contest Entry Form

Due May 15, 2016

Please check age division for this entry: Junior \_\_\_\_\_ Senior \_\_\_\_\_

\***Junior Division** contestants must be 14 years old or younger on the day of the local contest (no limit in how young a contestant can be).

\***Senior Division** contestants must be 15 to 21 years of age on the day of their local contest.

\*If the contestant is a “**group**”, they must compete in the category fitting the oldest person in the group.

Name of Group or Individual \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
School \_\_\_\_\_ Grade \_\_\_\_\_  
Instructor's Name \_\_\_\_\_

If there are several (more than one) performers in the act, list all names and ages (as of local contest) and grade in school on the back of this sheet. If there is a group where members are from more than one age group, the group will compete with the ones in the highest (oldest) group.

Title of Number (Example – “The Entertainer”) \_\_\_\_\_  
Type of Talent (Example – piano, dance, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_  
Accompaniment (tape, CD, guitar, piano, etc) Please describe \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone # of Applicant or Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Entry \_\_\_\_\_

Each division winner will receive \$100.00 (after state competition) and paid entry fee to the state competition. First, second & third places in each division will receive trophies.

The two winners in the Williamson County Competition will go on to compete at the Illinois State Fair Competition in January, 2017, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Springfield, Illinois. The Junior Contest will be held in the afternoon and the Senior Contest will be held in the evening.

The winners' entry fees to the State Competition will be paid for by the Williamson County Fair Board.

All rules and regulations listed above apply (except for age categories).

Your signature indicates that you are willing to compete at the State Fair Talent Competition if selected as a winner.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of contact person or contestant

There is a \$15.00 entry fee per act. Return cash or separate check (payable to Williamson County Fair) with this form, and the above HerrinFesta form to Karen Sala, 1505 Laura Lane, Herrin, Illinois 62948. **If you are entering both contests, you must send two separate checks.**

**Be a part of this huge Southern Illinois talent event – enter either one or both events! If you have any questions, call Karen Sala at (618) 942-6264.**

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