

ENTRY FORM
5th ANNUAL HERRINFESTA ITALIANA TALENT CONTEST

Herrin Civic Center Auditorium

6:00 pm

Wednesday, May 21, 2008

ENTRY FEE IS \$25.00 AND ENTRY DEADLINE IS MONDAY, MAY 12, 2008

CLASS A:	Kindergarten through Second Grade	Prizes in All 6 Categories.	
CLASS B:	Third, Fourth, and Fifth Grade	First Prize	\$ 100.00
CLASS C:	Sixth, Seventh & Eighth Grade	Second Prize	\$ 75.00
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 Herrin Chamber of Commerce office.
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-2nd; (B) 3rd-5th; (C) 6th-8th; (D) Senior High; (E) College (F) Adult (G) Bands
 5. Students may be in only one performance and each performance must not exceed three minutes.
 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.
 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". They will be able to watch the show by closed-circuit TV, play games, or watch videos. 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.
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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.
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, at the Herrin Chamber of Commerce office, or by phoning Karen Sala at 618-942-6264.

HERRINFESTA TALENT CONTEST ENTRY FORM

Due by May 12, 2008

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 _____

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 _____

5th Annual Williamson County Fair Talent Contest Entry Form

Due May 12, 2008

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, 2009, 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.
