



## Charles J. Thurmond Youth Art Scholarship Awards Kiwaniis Club of Gainesville's Performing Arts Showcase

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The Kiwanis Club of Gainesville invites the students of your school to participate in the **2018 Kiwanis Performing Arts Showcase**. This competition provides an opportunity for **high school students** to receive county and statewide recognition for their talent and hard work. In addition, this is an opportunity for local high school students to win scholarship funds to help finance their college education!

**The Kiwanis Performing Arts Showcase Competition** will be held at **Chattahoochee Country Club on March 20, 2018 at 6:30pm**. Performers are allowed to invite 2 guests to watch the performance as well as their instructor. There will be no charge for guests to attend.

### General Rules for Contestants

1. All contestants must be students in good standing with their respective schools/home school organizations and currently registered in the **9<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grade**.
2. Contestants must reside in Hall County.
3. Contestants may participate in only one act or performance.
4. An act or performance may consist of **groups of five (5) or fewer performers** including an accompanist.
5. An entry fee in the amount of **\$15.00 per act/performance** is required to defray the cost of hosting the competition. Checks should be made payable to the **Kiwanis Club of Gainesville** and submitted with the entry application. All applications, digital photo and fees must be received on or before **March 2, 2018**.
6. No act or performance shall exceed **four (4) minutes** in performance time.
7. A maximum of **15 acts/performances** will be accepted first by school (first 2 per school accepted) then the remaining slots after February 23, 2018 will be filled on a first come, first accepted basis. For home school students, only one student per family will be allowed to compete.
8. Applications will not be accepted without complete documentation and the \$15.00 entry fee.
9. **Effective 2010, the act is limited to vocal or instrumental performance**
10. Background soundtracks that are used for vocal performances shall be instrumental only. No vocal backgrounds will be permitted

At the county level, awards will be presented to the top 3 acts or performances in the Best of Show with scholarships being awarded to the top places:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> place</b>	<b>\$2,500</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> place</b>	<b>\$1,500</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> place</b>	<b>\$1,000</b>

The winning (1<sup>st</sup> place) act/performance will be submitted as an entrant in the state competition. In the event the 1<sup>st</sup> place act/performance is unable to attend the state competition, the 2<sup>nd</sup> place

act/performance will be submitted. At the state level, The Kiwanis Memorial Foundation is providing \$7500 in scholarship awards to the *Best of Show* winners. Scholarships awarded at the State Competition, as well as the County Competition, will be presented in the form of a check issued to a college or university of the student's choice. Students must provide their own transportation to the State competition in Albany, GA.

### Timeline for Events

Activity	Date & Time	Location
Deadline to submit applications	March 2, 2018	Via mail to Kelly Lee
Preview of stage (setup/sound)	March 20 <sup>th</sup> 4:00-5:30pm	Chattahoochee Country Club
County competition	March 20 <sup>th</sup> , 6:30 pm	Chattahoochee Country Club
State competition registration	TBD	Kiwanis District Office
State talent competition	TBD	Albany Municipal Auditorium

**Educators/Instructors:** *Space is limited to 15 acts/performances. Please encourage your top performers to **submit their applications early, well before the deadline!** We will have to **limit the number of applications accepted from each school/organization to the first 2 received.** After February 23, 2018 if slots remain open we may accept more than 2 students from a school. We do this for the purpose of extending an equal opportunity for each school/organization to sponsor qualifying contestants the possibility of becoming scholarship recipients.*

**All applications must be received no later than March 2<sup>nd</sup> , 2018.** Mail all completed applications and entry fee to:

**Kiwanis Performing Arts Showcase  
Kelly Lee  
1098 Dixon Circle  
Gainesville, GA 30501**

Please encourage all interested students to participate in this competition. The Kiwanis Club of Gainesville hopes to see many of our local students demonstrate their various talents and benefit from this opportunity to obtain scholarship funds to further their education.

Parents are invited to attend the evening competition. The competition is a ticketed event and space is limited. If you are interested in attending please contact Kelly Lee for more information.

If you have any questions, or need additional information, please feel free to contact us.

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