



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

December 18, 2018

The Kiwanis Club of Gainesville invites the students of your school to participate in the **2019 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 19, 2019 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 **9th through 12th 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 1, 2019**.
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 22, 2019 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:

1st place	\$2,500
2nd place	\$1,500
3rd place	\$1,000

The winning (1st place) act/performance will be submitted as an entrant in the state competition. In the event the 1st place act/performance is unable to attend the state competition, the 2nd 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 1, 2019	Via mail to Kelly Lee
Preview of stage (setup/sound)	March 19 th 4:00-5:30pm	Chattahoochee Country Club
County competition	March 19 th , 6:30 pm	Chattahoochee Country Club
State competition registration	TBD	Kiwanis District Office
State talent competition	TBD	Gainesville, GA

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 22, 2019 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 1st , 2019. 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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