

## **CarmelFest Has Talent 2021 Rules and Regulations:**

***Contestants must read and accept Rules and Regulations.***

**Privacy Policy:** CarmelFest Has Talent will not sell or share any personal information collected on this registration site.

**Registration Fee:** Each act must pay a non-refundable \$30.00 registration fee to enter the CarmelFest Has Talent Competition.

**Cancellation/Refund Policy:** The \$30 registration fee is non-refundable.

### **Contest Rules:**

As a condition to being auditioned for the contest, you hereby represent and warrant that the following statements are true and correct and that you agree to the terms and conditions contained herein and as stated in the following information:

### **Eligibility:**

Contestants must have Indiana state residency to be eligible to participate in the CarmelFest Has Talent contest. Contestants who were awarded first place in the previous year may not compete in the same category the following year.

**Individual applicants** are only eligible to enter into one age category as determined by the contestant's age on July 4th 2021. **A group applicant**, that is comprised of more than one musician, will enter into the age category into which the majority of your musicians fall. Groups must consist of 6 people or less. Due to constraints on stage space and electrical capability, **CarmelFest Has Talent will need to determine how many/which type of instruments can be accommodated on a case by case basis** as registrations are submitted. Decisions on whether or not certain instruments can be accommodated will be communicated to the contestant prior to auditions, but the decisions made by CarmelFest Has Talent will be final.

Eligibility to participate in CarmelFest Has Talent requires that contestants are not professional musicians; do not or have not in the past had any type of talent representation such as a talent agent or manager, a music recording contract, a merchandising contract, or any other contractual arrangement related to an ongoing musical performance (for example, a paid professional musical theater role).

Contestants who progress to the final performance round agree to be available to participate during the July 4th performance. Contestants who are not available for the final performance round will forfeit the opportunity.

### **Auditions:**

For the auditions, be prepared to perform one song of no more than four minutes in length. You may sing with an accompaniment track or accompany yourself. For 2021, auditions will be virtually submitted to [talentshow@carmelfest.net](mailto:talentshow@carmelfest.net) by June 10th at midnight. Be aware, that if you are selected to perform in the July 4th final performance, only a piano will be available to use; you must bring any other instrument(s) that will be played.

Your audition submission must be the song you intend to perform on July 4th's final performance if you are chosen to move on in the competition. When choosing a song to perform, remember that CarmelFest is a family friendly and outdoor event. The songs that have been most successful

in the past, are songs that are familiar, upbeat, and take the audience and atmosphere into consideration.

### **Paperwork:**

Contestants or parents/guardians are required to provide general personal information, and complete all forms required by CarmelFest Has Talent completely and truthfully. Contestants who fail to complete all required forms, provide false information, or fail to reveal pertinent eligibility information may be disqualified from CarmelFest Has Talent at any time.

Contestants or parents/guardians must read and agree to the rules and regulations of the CarmelFest Has Talent in their entirety at the time of registration.

### **Locations, Dates and Time:**

Audition dates and format are to be determined and will be communicated via email to contestants at the time of registration. Final performances will be held July 4, 2021 in Carmel, IN on the Gazebo Stage during CarmelFest. Performance times will be communicated when the finalists are determined.

Locations, dates and times are subject to change at any time during the CarmelFest Has Talent competition. Contestants will be notified by email of any changes to the audition and performance schedule.

CarmelFest Has Talent participants may be asked to participate in other CarmelFest activities to promote the event. Participants will be notified of these opportunities.

**Parents and Vocal Coaches will not be allowed in the waiting area for the finalists during the competition on July 4<sup>th</sup>. Please take the appropriate seating with the attending audience for less confusion and distraction to the contestants during the competition.**

### **Prizes:**

#### **THESE PRIZES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE!**

First Place winners will be awarded a prize in the amount of three hundred dollars (\$300.00). The second place winners will receive a prize in the amount of two hundred dollars (\$200.00) and third place winners will receive a prize in the amount of one hundred dollars (\$100.00). If a group applicant wins in the corresponding age category, the prize money will be written in check form and mailed to the person who completed the registration for that group. Compliance with all regulations and rules are the responsibility of the winners.

### **General Conditions of CarmelFest Has Talent**

We (i.e. CarmelFest management and CarmelFest Has Talent) reserve the right to disqualify and/or exclude, in our sole and absolute discretion, any individual from any of the auditions for any reason or for no reason at all, including without limitation, violation of any portion of these rules, or tampering with the entry process or the audition process. We reserve the right to disqualify any individual who has not been truthful with disclosing any professional singing/acting career and or professional contracts with agencies. We also reserve the right to change the rules and procedures at any time. Submitting a virtual audition does NOT guarantee that you will be selected for the final performance.

By participating, entrants/judges agree to be bound by these rules and the decisions of CarmelFest Has Talent, along with the event coordinators and panel of judges, which shall be final and binding. We reserve the right to use the auditioning process for publicity and other purposes, and to use the name and likeness of those who audition and who arrive to audition, including friends, family or any other individual accompanying the participant, as part of that publicity and for other purposes, without compensation unless prohibited by law. All federal, state and local laws apply. Dates and locations are subject to change. CarmelFest along with any participating television stations, advertising agencies or any person or entity connected with the production, administration or judging of the auditions or the program, or any of their respective parent companies, affiliates, subsidiaries, agents or representatives are not responsible for and shall not be liable for inability for any reason to appear at an audition site or audition or appear before the judging panels; any injuries, losses or damages of any kind caused by participating in the auditioning process or being selected to or disqualified from continuing in the auditioning process and/or the show; or any printing, typographical or technological errors in any materials associate with the auditioning process. CarmelFest Has Talent reserves the right to limit the number of accepted applications in case of an overwhelming response to the contest.

All decisions made by the management of CarmelFest and CarmelFest Has Talent are final. CarmelFest Has Talent reserves the right to change the rules at any time for any reason.