

Spotlight on Talent 2016 Competition Regulations and Information - Groups

1. By submitting this application, you agree **to allow us to use the following in publicity and on the association's website** including, but not limited to – your likeness (photo/video of performance), name, age, home town, and studio / teacher.
2. Eligibility requirements – may be amateurs or professionals, children up through 12th grade, no older than 19 years old, and can only compete once as a 12th grader.
3. Participants may be in only one solo and one group performance each year.
4. **There will be a limited amount of time to prepare make-up/costumes and change between acts, so consider this in your planning for the finals.**
5. **Group time limit – 5 minutes.** If you have competed before, you may not repeat the same performance piece.
6. Acts are judged on – **Talent-25 points, Stage Presence-3 points, Appropriate Appearance-2 points**
7. All dance, costumes, and movement gestures should be tastefully done and age appropriate.
8. **If singing to a mp3/CD, no other voices should sing your part!**
9. **Back-up/accompaniment music on Mp3 / CD** = Label all CD discs with 1) name, 2) song title, 3) length of song. Burn CDs using CD-R's, not CD-RW's.
Mp3 – you'll get an email to submit the file online before prelims, bring a back-up copy on CD to turn in at check in. CD - bring 2 copies with you to preliminaries, 1 copy won't be returned to you. Turn in both CDs when you check in.
10. Preliminary competition is **Saturday, Feb. 27, 2016** at the Center for the Arts at Wesley Chapel High. Auditions begin around 9:00 a.m. You will receive a notice via email/mail informing you of your audition time, and the full schedule will be posted on www.heritagearts.org. Young ages will audition earlier, and judging for groups and older acts later. Sorry, no early/late individual requests.
11. Final competition is **Saturday, March 19, 2016** at the same theater. (If you have a conflict on that date, contact us before entering.) We will have 2 shows. Groups may be in 1 or 2 categories, split by average age, if numbers allow.

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