**Press Release - Spotlight Contest - Winners! Covid – LOSER!**

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**We are contacting you with information about this recent event in several forms – a long, detailed press release, and the following. First is a list of the winners’ names, which is the most important thing to the families of these students. Then a short bulleted list of vital facts that should not be omitted in case of shortening the copy for space reasons, and this link to our web site where you can download your choice of labeled photographs in jpeg form –** [**www.heritagearts.org**](http://www.heritagearts.org) **.**

**Please use as much as you can – this is a HUGE popular event in its 38th year.**

**SPOTLIGHT ON TALENT 2021 WINNERS**

**SOLO CATEGORY 1**

**1ST PLACE – Amber Luu, Piano**

**2ND PLACE – Annabelle DePolis, musical theater**

**3rd PLACE – Chloe Adams, acrobatic dance**

**4th PLACE – Kennedy Kring, acrobatic dance**

**SOLO CATEGORY 2**

**1st PLACE – Linley Bishop, lyrical dance**

**2nd PLACE – Tavin Groomes, dramatic monologue**

**3rd PLACE – Kendall Hill, musical theater**

**4th PLACE – Nikki Lang, piano**

**SOLO CATEGORY 3**

**1ST PLACE – Abigail Wallace, contemporary dance**

**2nd PLACE – Sofia Acosta, musical theater**

**3rd PLACE – Maelee Scaglione, contemporary dance**

**4th PLACE – Salvador Hernandez, classical guitar**

**SOLO CATEGORY 4**

**1ST PLACE - Kasey Lang, piano**

**2nd PLACE – Samuel Wu, piano**

**3rd PLACE – Larkin Mainwaring, musical theater**

**4th PLACE – Dylan Pham, piano**

**SOLO CATEGORY 5**

**1st PLACE – Katherine Hines, pop vocal**

**2nd PLACE – Ezekiel Richards, jazz dance**

**3rd PLACE – Harley White, musical theater**

**4th PLACE – Kennedy Engasser, spoken word**

**SOLO CATEGORY 6**

**1ST PLACE – Agnes Hernandez, piano**

**2nd PLACE – Faith Phaller, ballet dance**

**3rd PLACE – Julianna Cova, pop vocal**

**4th PLACE – Rhett Ricardo, musical theater**

**GROUP CATEGORY 1**

**1st PLACE – Showstoppers, musical theater**

**2nd PLACE – Star Company Apprentices, jazz dance**

**3rd PLACE – Little Stars, Broadway dance**

**GROUP CATEGORY 2**

**1ST PLACE – Star Company, ballet dance**

**2nd PLACE – Showbros and Showstoppers, musical theater**

**3rd PLACE – Broadway Players**

**PASCO HERITAGE SCHOLARSHIP**

**Agnes Hernandez, piano**

**Please use at a minimum this information:**

* **38th year of regional performing arts competition “Spotlight on Talent” for young people through high school seniors, cost over $11,000 to produce.**
* **Competition held Saturday, March 6 at Dade City’s Methodist Church, with strict virus protocols**
* **In spite of covid pandemic - 150 contestants performed to win over $5,000 in trophies, ribbons and cash prizes.**
* **Performances of all styles - piano, vocal, dance, musical theater, classical guitar, beat boxing, violin, cello, dramatic monologues**
* **Winner of $1,000 Pasco Heritage Scholarship – pianist Agnes Hernandez**
* **Panels of paid, professional judges selected winners of cash prizes.**
* **Contact producer with any questions at** **spotlight@heritagearts.org****,**

**or 352-567-1720, and more information at** [**www.heritagearts.org**](http://www.heritagearts.org) **.**