



## Department P: Talent Show

### For Dates See Age Categories

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Talent Show regulations remain in compliance with the New York State Fair Talent Show Rules.

### Entries are accepted through July 14 at 5pm.

There is no entry fee, but entrants must pay admission to the Fair.

### Early registration suggested!

The application form is available for printing at [www.saratogacountyfair.org](http://www.saratogacountyfair.org) then click on **Exhibitor Forms >Talent Search Entry Form.**

All 7 daily winners in the *12 and Under* and the *13 & over* categories are eligible to compete for "Best of Fair." Additionally, the top 3 winners in the *7 & under* category are eligible to compete for "Best of Fair."

### Age categories:

**12 & Under (Weds. & Fri., July 25 & 27)**

**13 & over (Thurs. & Sat., July 26 & 28)**

**"Best of Fair" from all categories is Sun., July 29, 4pm.**

For the 12 & Under open competition on Wednesday, July 25th contestants will be split into two separate age categories for judging and awards. These categories are 7 & under and 8 through 12. For the State Fair competition on Friday July 27 all ages are judged and awarded together.

Individual, duet or group acts may include: dance, comedy, drama, vocal music, instrumental music, clown, ventriloquist, magic, impersonation, dramatic reading, gymnastics and storytelling.

### Daily prizes to be awarded as follows:

1st place	\$40 & Trophy
2nd place	\$30 & Trophy
3rd place	\$20 & Trophy
4th, 5th, 6th & 7th place	Medals

All participants will receive ribbons.

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### Best of Fair prizes will be awarded as follows:

1st place	\$150
2nd place	\$100
3rd place	\$75
4th place	\$50
5th, 6th & 7th place	Medals

All participants/group will receive ribbons.

Special New York State Fair qualifiers will be held on Friday, July 27, and Saturday, July 28. The top 25 placements of the Mini and Maxi competitions will be eligible to compete at the New York State Fair Talent Hunt.

## Special Awards

In memory of Bob Zabinski, supporters of "Saratoga's Got Talent" offer a monetary vocal award/awards.

The Bob Zabinski Memorial Vocal Award will be presented at the "Best of Fair" Contest. This award will be presented to the vocalist/vocalists from the week who demonstrates the best vocal production, technical skills and promise as a singer. The daily scores from the week will be taken into consideration but will not necessarily determine the winner/winners.

Dave Driscoll of Saratoga Springs offers:

The "Rising Star" Talent Award. This award will be presented in recognition of an act in the 12 & Under category. The award will be based on judges' consensus of an act demonstrating outstanding ability and achievement for their age, and will encompass all genres.

Alden Floor Service, Inc. offers:

The "Shooting Star" Talent Award. This award will be presented in recognition of a novel performance genre, or an act showing high creativity through performance of original composition/ choreography. The award will be based on judges' consensus of a performance act demonstrating high creativity, outstanding ability and/or achievement for their age, and is open to all genres. Original acts must be performed by the composer/ choreographer in order to be eligible. If the judges decide that there are no acts that qualify for this award, the prize will be held over until the following year.

Justin Joyner of Saratoga Springs offers:

This talent award will be presented in recognition of a guitar- playing contestant. It will be granted at the "Best of Fair" to the individual who demonstrates exceptional guitar skills, while exhibiting charismatic stage presence. The daily scores from the week will be taken into consideration but will not necessarily determine the winner. If the judges deem there are no acts that qualify for the award, the prize will be held over until the following year.