“Seniors Got Talent” 2015

Talent Show Production Rules

Show Format

1. Performers must be age 50+.
2. Acts will be one age category.
3. Performers do not have to participate or qualify at Local Game Sites to audition for “Seniors Got Talent”.
4. Acts will be judged as one category, not as individual categories.
5. Performers must be New Mexico residents.
6. Performers will perform and travel at their own expense.
7. A 4 minute pre-audition video is required for each act. Entries may be on CD, Jump Drive or electronically e-mailed.
   Videos are due to NMSO by April 3, 2015 and submitted to: New Mexico Senior Olympics, Inc. (NMSO)
   P.O. Box 2690
   Roswell, NM  88202
   www.nmso@nmseniorolympics.org
8. All music used in the performance must be pre-approved by ASCAP (THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF COMPOSERS, AUTHORS AND PUBLISHERS) or BMI (BROADCAST MUSIC, INC.) and verification submitted with each entry when submitting audition video. Check online at www.ascap or www.bmi.com. NMSO will assist with this process if needed.
9. Provide one Entry Form with each audition video for every act entered. Forms are available on the NMSO website: www.nmseniorolympics.org. Click on “Seniors Got Talent” Entry Form.
10. Talent Search Committee will consist of statewide community leaders and Senior athlete peers.
11. After the auditions, acts will be selected by the Talent Search Committee. All finalists will be notified in writing by NMSO by April 15, 2015.
12. Entry fee for final selected acts will be $50.00 per entered act due by May 1, 2015.
13. Final acts performing agree to sign an entertainment agreement/liability waiver to perform at “Seniors Got Talent” with NMSO.
14. The talent entertainment will be held at Pueblo Auditorium, 300 N. Kentucky, Roswell, NM 88201 on Saturday, June 6, 2015 at 1:00 pm.
15. The “Seniors Got Talent” Entertainment will consist of a 3 hour timeframe maximum.
16. “Seniors Got Talent” will be a family friendly quality production to entertain at the New Mexico Senior Olympics Summer Games.
17. Professional entertainers are not allowed to enter.
18. The NMSO definition of a professional entertainer is defined as a person who competes in a talent production for money, as a primary source of personal revenue.
19. Dance acts are welcomed with the exception of couple dancing. Dance must only be folk or ethnic. No Waltz, Polka, Country Western, Latin Ballroom, Jitterbug or Line Dancing is allowed.
20. The top three acts will receive medals; gold, silver and bronze.
21. The overall Gold Medalist winner will be invited to appear at three showcase locations during the year made possible by NMSO to include the sports banquet at Summer Games.
22. Acts are allowed 4 minutes to perform in which the time begins when the performance is introduced. Acts are allowed a 2 minute allowance for set up.
23. Talent Acts will be penalized for performing past the time limits or taking more than the time allowed by subtracting 5 points for each ½ minute or portion thereof over the allotted time.
24. Talent acts will be limited to 20 members per act.
25. In the event of a tie, tiebreakers will not be used. If there is a tie for first, then the two acts will be award the gold medal, no silver awarded, next highest act will be awarded bronze.
26. Practice is mandatory and will be held on Saturday, June 6, 2015 from 8:00am to 12 Noon. A schedule will be developed with the sport coordinator. For individual practice times please call the sport coordinator at (575) 555-1234. Failure to attend practice could result in disqualification of the act unless prior arrangements have been made with NMSO.
27. A panel of 5 judges will be utilized to determine winners. See judging criteria listed below.
28. If music is used in act, performer(s) must submit a CD of the music selection within two weeks of the Talent Show – May 20, 2015 and also bring a second copy of the music on the day of the performance. All CD’s submitted must be adequately identifiable with performers First and Last name and the name of the music.
29. The music selection in the audition video is required to be used at the competition. It is the responsibility of the performer that a copy of the music selected for each act is submitted to NMSO for the Audio/Video Technicians. Deadline to submit music is May 20th, 2015. One song per CD.
30. As a performer I agree to adhere to all other house rules.
Talent Show Production Rules (cont’d)

Judging Criteria

1. Judges will use the following criteria:
   i. Talent Ability or Projection
   ii. Originality or Artistic Merit
   iii. Creativeness
   iv. Vitality and Enthusiasm
   v. General Appearance
   vi. Showmanship
   vii. Animation
   viii. Expression