

PAPER CITY TALENT SHOW

Hosted by Star Dancers' Unity & Nueva Esperanza

Join us for "Paper City Talent Show," a vibrant community talent show brought to you by Nueva Esperanza Inc and Star Dancer's Unity, with generous financial sponsorship from Casella Waste Services. This unique collaboration between an organization and a business is dedicated to fostering unity within our community and showcasing the remarkable hidden talents that reside within our city.

We invite you to be a part of this extraordinary event, whether as a participant showcasing your talents or as an enthusiastic spectator. "Holyoke's Got Talent" is set to be an unforgettable evening filled with exceptional performances and a celebration of the rich tapestry of talents in our city.

What can you expect at our talent show?

- **Diverse Acts:** We welcome a wide range of talents, from singers and dancers to musicians, comedians, magicians, and more. If you've got a talent, we want to see it!
- **Esteemed Judges:** Our panel of three special judges will bring their expertise to the table, making the tough decisions and providing valuable feedback to our participants.
- **Cash Prizes:** We'll be awarding cash prizes to our top three winners, with the first-place winner taking home \$1000. But that's not all—there will be additional prizes for outstanding performances in various categories.
- **Community Pride:** This event is not just about winning; it's about coming together as a community to support and uplift one another. "Holyoke's Got Talent" is an opportunity for everyone to shine and make Holyoke proud.

So, whether you're a gifted performer or an eager spectator, mark your calendar for an evening of talent, creativity, and unity. Let's showcase the incredible talents of Holyoke and make this event a resounding success! We can't wait to see you there.

Please note the following:

- To participate in the Paper City Talent Show, you must be a resident of Holyoke (proof of address will be required).
- This event is open to all ages, and any safe and appropriate act will be allowed.
- If you are 12 years old and under, you will need to be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- **Auditions will be conducted on Saturday, November 18, 2023, from 10:00 am to 5:30 pm at Holyoke High School Auditorium.**
- You will be contacted via email and phone if you make it pass auditions you will perform the act you auditioned with on December 16th.
- There will be three judges.
- **Prizes include \$1,000 for the First Place winner, \$500 for Second Place, \$250 for Third Place, and additional prizes for outstanding performances in various categories.**
- Everyone participating will be required to sign a waiver.
- Remember that this is a public, family friendly event and all talents must be appropriate for a diverse audience.
- Parent/Guardian signature is required, if the contestant is less than 18 years of age.

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CONTESTANT INFORMATION

First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____

Stage Name: _____ Pronoun: _____ Gender: _____

D.O.B: _____ Age: _____ Ethnicity/ Race: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Telephone: ()- _____ Secondary Telephone: ()- _____

Email: _____ Secondary Email: _____

School Currently Attending: _____ Grade: _____

MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/ GUARDIAN IF UNDER THE AGE OF 18 YEARS OLD

1st Parent/Guardian First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Telephone: ()- _____ Secondary Telephone: ()- _____

Email: _____ Secondary Email: _____

2nd Parent/Guardian First Name: _____ MI: _____ Last Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Primary Telephone: ()- _____ Secondary Telephone: ()- _____

Email: _____ Secondary Email: _____

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EMERGENCY CONTACT

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME: _____ RELATIONSHIP: _____

Primary Telephone: ()- _____ Secondary Telephone: ()- _____

Email: _____ Secondary Email: _____

TALENT/PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

TYPE OF TALENT:(Music, Dancing, Singing, etc): _____

DESCRIPTION: _____

NAME AS YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE INTRODUCED: _____

I WOULD LIKE MY TALENT TO BE INTRODUCED AS FOLLOWS: _____

PLEASE PROVIDE US WITH A LIST OF PROP OR EQUIPMENT YOU WILL BE BRINGING FOR YOUR PERFORMANCE?

The Paper City Talent Show is limited to sound supplies and resources available to us at the Showcase. We will do our best to meet your request but you will need to be flexible and understand that hands free and cordless microphones may not be available for use.

DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER SPECIAL REQUESTS OR NEEDS PERTAINING TO YOUR TALENT:

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The eligibility requirements to compete in the Paper City Talent Show (Please Review & Initial the following Information)

A. I am eligible to compete in the Paper City Talent Show and, if selected, to serve as a member of the Paper City Talent Show; because I meet the following criteria:

1. I am a citizen of the United States of America.
2. I am a current resident of Holyoke, MA and have been for at least six months prior to entering.

B. In order to compete in the Paper City Talent Show, I agree:

1. To complete and turn in all of the following items by 12:00 p.m. on, or before, November 17, 2023, to Nueva Esperanza, 401 Main Street, Holyoke, MA 01040. Attn: Paper City Talent Show
 - a. This Contract with each page initiated, signed where required. If under the age of 18, the Contract will also be signed by my parent or legal guardian;
 - requirements outlined on the Talent Information, Request, and Approval Form; and supplementary material requested by the Paper City Talent Show as needed to review and approve my talent request;
 - c. No talent will be approved if it has abnormally dangerous elements to the contestant or public (i.e. knife throwing, high wire, weapons, fire, etc.) No talent will be approved if it has inappropriate language, sexual connotation; content that has the potential to be offensive to an audience or family friendly event, at the sole discretion of the Paper City Talent Show Director.
 - d. Music Must be Provided: USB (No swears, gang, alcohol or drug use)

I understand that I am encouraged to, but not required to, stay and attend the contestant workshops that follow.

2. To attend all mandatory rehearsals including:
 - b. Dress rehearsal that will be held on Friday, December 15, 2023 from 5pm to 9pm
 - c. Opening number rehearsal, time not yet determined.
3. To fulfill all requirements the day of the Paper City Talent Show, November 18, 2023, including an interview with the judges,
4. To be cooperative and respectful to Paper City Talent Show volunteers and to follow the guidelines, rules and regulations of the Paper City Talent Show, whether given to me verbally or in writing.
5. To exhibit good sportsmanship and cooperation with other contestants and their supporters.
6. That the decision of the judges in any and all matters pertaining to the selection of the winners is final.
7. Contestant Information Sheets are classified as public which means that the documents and/or the information contained in the documents may be released to the public. I acknowledge that the Paper City Talent Show will release the Biography to the media, for marketing and public relations purposes, in cooperation with the Paper City Talent Show, to judges, and to others. I acknowledge that if there is information I do not want disclosed, I have been directed to not include it in the documents.

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Contract.

1. If selected as Paper City Talent Show, I will serve until my successor is selected or appointed.

2. I will attend and fully participate in the following Mandatory events:

a. Attendance at any and all events associated with the Paper City Talent Show:

b. St. Patrick's Day Parade, Fiesta Patronales, and more.

D. If I am not selected as a member of the Paper City Talent Show but receive other prizes/awards/scholarships: I permit my name, pictures, and my title to be used by the Pageant or sponsors for advertising and promotional purposes.

2. I authorize the Paper City Talent Show to use any photo(s) I submit to the Paper City Talent Show for advertising and any other purpose or purposes as a participant at the Paper City Talent Show.

3. I authorize the Paper City Talent Show to take photograph(s), video tape, or record me individually or in a group and to use or reuse such in all mediums and to use my name, likeness and/or physical depiction for any purpose in perpetuity, in an unedited or edited manner. All Photographs, video tapes, audio tapes, motion picture films, or other recordings or reproductions made of me, be they "still" or "live" as a contestant in the 2023 Paper City Talent Show, or as a participant in the events leading up to the selection of Paper City Talent Show including, but not limited to, interviews, rehearsals and publicity events, either individually or as a member of a group, become and remain property of the Paper City Talent Show in perpetuity and some may be used and re-used for publicity, advertising or any other proper use. This provision shall specifically survive termination of this Contract.

We, the staff at Paper City Talent Show recognize our obligation to make sure that all contestants are aware of the risk and hazards involved in the talent show. By signing and initializing this registration form/ waiver, you release Paper City Talent Show and all its employees from all claims on account of any injury which may be sustained by the contestant while attending any auditions, rehearsals, events associated with Paper City Talent Show. In signing this waiver, you also acknowledge your responsibility in having your own equipment, any associated uniforms/ costumes, entry fees for medical, health and hospitalization and accident insurance, which you consider adequate for your protection and Paper City Talent Show.

By signing below, you are acknowledging that you have read and understood all the policies and procedures, policy, and fees associated with Paper City Talent Show.

Print Contestant's Full Name: _____

Parent/Guardian Full Name: _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

(Parent/Guardian Signature If Under the age of 18 Years Old)