

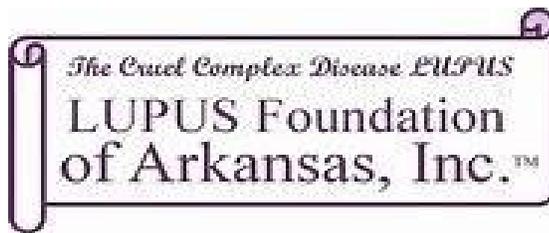


(VIRTUAL TALENT SHOW)

2020 LUPUS FOUNDATION OF ARKANSAS, INC. ANNUAL STATEWIDE TALENT SHOW

RULES& REGULATIONS

1. There will be five age categories: 1st (5-12), 2nd (13-17), 3rd (18-35), 4th (36-59), and 5th (60+).
2. All acts compete in one of five divisions, based on the age of the contestant(s) at the time of their performance at the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent Show. In cases where the act consists of people from various age divisions, the act will compete in the older Division. Performers ages 5-17 who use an adult accompanist may compete in the Children Division provided accompanist does not assume any importance in the performer's act. Improper age category may result in disqualification.
3. **Entries will be accepted in the following categories: vocal, instrumental, comedy, spoken word, dance, and variety. Lip Sync is not allowed. This year all auditions will be uploaded to lupusarktalentshow.com. *Each act will upload two (2) video selections no longer than 1:30 (One minute and thirty seconds)*. We ask for two videos because we would like to approve both selections in case you make it to the semi-final round.**
4. Your entry is officially the first round of the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show contest. All contestants must perform the same act or musical selections that you uploaded during auditions for the actual show (semi-finals and finals). This includes number of people in the act. Exceptions regarding people in act may be made on a case-by-case basis if change does not enhance performance. Requests for exceptions must be made by the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Committee as soon as possible, prior to Lupus Foundation of Arkansas Inc. Talent Show date. **Contestants will be able to choose their 1st and 2nd choice performances. *Selections must be appropriate for family audience and may not include profanity or lewdness. Acts MAY NOT use fire, pyrotechnics, liquids, confetti, guns, sharp instruments, such as knives or machetes, or any other substance or object that may prove hazardous or inappropriate.***
5. **The performance may not exceed one minute, thirty seconds in length.**



6. **Auditions:** After receiving all the entries, the committee will select applicants to perform in the actual show. **We will be accepting video submissions until 6m (CDT) Saturday, September 12, 2020.** You will only be considered once you completed the registration form, signed the audio & image release form, and paid the registration donation. *In situations where contestants have chosen the same song, the first registered applicant has the right to perform that song; you will be notified by email if that situation has occurred.*
7. **Video Submissions: Upload performances like you were uploading it for the actual show. Dress nice and perform like you are going to win. Make sure your video is clear and if you have sound, make sure the audio is clear also. Make sure your videos are edited to your liking. If you are selected to be in the show and we feel like you did not upload a great video, we will ask for you to upload a better video for the actual show.**
8. **You are required to make a non-refundable \$50 registration donation in order for your videos to be considered.**
9. **Semi- Finals:** The Semi-final round will consist of at least 20 entries selected from the audition round. However, there could possibly be 21 acts in the case of a statistical tie. This round will be premiering on our site on Saturday, November 7, 2020. Voting will be conducted through a poll on our site to choose who will advance to the Finals. Voting will close by 9am (CDT) Sunday, November 8, 2020.
10. **Final Round:** There will be one finalist from each age category selected to move on to the final round. In the case that one category is missing, then there will be two finalists from the majority category moving on to the finals. This round will be premiering on our site on Sunday, November 8, 2020. Voting will be conducted through a poll on our site to choose who will be the 1st Place, 2nd Place, and 3rd Place Winners. Voting will close by 9am (CDT) Monday, November 9, 2020.
11. **Winners:** The 1st place winner will receive a \$1,000.00 cash award, 2nd place winner will receive a \$500 cash award, and 3rd place winner will receive a \$200 cash award. The winners will be announced on our site and corresponding social platforms on Monday, November 9, 2020. We will also email the winners the great news!



12. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Committee shall have sole authority in selecting acts in the competition, performance order, and how we choose to show any and all performances.
13. Complete entry forms along with \$50 registration donation by 6pm (CDT) Saturday, September 12, 2020 on www.lupusarktalentshow.com.
14. Contestant may only submit one application and can only appear in one act.
15. Once a contestant has won the 2020 1st Place Award, he/she/they will not be eligible to compete for the following three years in the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent show.
16. All judges' decisions are final and scores will not be released to contestants or the public.
17. All contestants agree to allow the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. to use their likeness in promotion, photography, or video photography. We also reserve the right to use your voice and likeness in all advertisements.
18. All contestants must sign an audio and image release form prior to competing.

This talent show is a fundraiser for the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. You, as a contestant, get to help a worthy cause and exhibit your talents. None of the staff are paid employees. We are all volunteers. All funds that are raised stay in Arkansas and are used to help educate and provide lupus patients and the public lupus information all over the state of Arkansas.