



# Clark County Fair Talent Contest Rules

Sponsored by Clark County Extension Homemakers Council

**Saturday, September 10, 2011, at 6:00 p.m.**

**at Arkansas Hall**

**Henderson State University**

[www.clarkcountyfairpageant.com](http://www.clarkcountyfairpageant.com)

**Applications:** Entry forms must be postmarked by Wednesday, August 31, 2011, or turned in to the Cooperative Extension Office, 640 South 6th Street, Suite B, no later than 4:30 pm Wednesday, August 31, 2011. Include the non-refundable entry fee of \$25.00. Checks are to be made out to Clark County Extension Homemakers. Phone 870-246-2281.

**Eligibility:** All contestants must be legal residents of Arkansas and reside in Clark County or be full time students attending Clark County schools or universities. Contestants must never have been married and never had any children. Contestants must not ever have been convicted of a crime or have any criminal charges pending. Winners of the 2010 Clark County Talent Contest are not eligible to compete in the same division in 2011. The committee reserves the right to combine a division too small or separate a division that is too large.

Junior Division – ages 6 to 9 years. Senior Division – ages 10 to 20 years

**Photographs:** Publicity photographs will be taken Wednesday, August 31, 2011, on the front steps of Arkansas Hall beginning at 4:30 pm.

**Rehearsal:** Rehearsal will be the day of the contest at Arkansas Hall Auditorium at 1:00 p.m. **Any contestant not participating in the rehearsal will be disqualified.**

**Backstage:** One female adult per entry will be allowed in the dressing room during competition.

**Performances:** Each act can be *no longer than* 5 minutes. Contestants are responsible for any instruments and props. Music must be provided on a compact disc labeled with track number and contestant's name. The nature of the act must be age appropriate. Any inappropriate lyrics or dance moves will result in immediate disqualification.

**Prizes:** The Junior and Senior talent winners will be awarded prizes. The senior talent winner will receive a cash prize and will represent the county at the District and State Fairs. Winners will receive a packet containing details of post contest duties. **Prize money will be awarded only after successful completion of all required duties.** All winners must be photographed by our photographer on the night of the contest. Both Junior and Senior winners are required to provide entertainment at the 2012 Clark County Fair Pageant and Talent Contest.

**All Contestants will abide** by all rules and instructions given by the Pageant officials and recognize that said officials have the right to keep order as they deem necessary during the rehearsal and contest. The director reserves the final and absolute right to interpret these rules and arbitrarily settle and determine all matters, questions and differences in regard thereto or otherwise arising out of or connected with or incident to the contest and the right to amend or add to these rules as her judgment may determine. Judges' decisions are final.

Contestants should not expect a critique verbally or in writing from the judges. No score sheets will be given out. Contestants, parents and other supporters are expected to show good sportsmanship and to behave sensibly.

**Failure to abide by any of the above rules may result in disqualification from the contest.**