

OHIO FAIRS TALENT SHOWCASE NOMINATIONS Due October 30

99th Annual Convention January 4-7, 2024 Trade show January 5-6

Name of Agency

Name of Act

Type of Act

Cost of Act

Contact Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip:

Telephone: Day

Eve or Cell

E-mail Address:

SHOWCASE: Stage size provided* 24x16

***FOR YOUR ACT TO BE CONSIDERED:** a Stage Plot, Membership, and a Tradeshow or Hospitality Suite Reservation **MUST** be submitted at the time of making your nomination. If the 3 requirements are not enclosed with your nomination, your act **will not** be presented to the Showcase Committee for consideration!

In order to facilitate scheduling, rank your 1st & 2nd alternate time preference:

____ President's Showcase Premier-Friday (Eve) (16 minutes) January 5, 2024

____ General Session- Saturday (11:15 am) Acoustical, self-contained act only (15-20 min) January 6

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****The Entertainment Committee will accept photographs, CD or DVD or Dropbox link (see #4 for instructions) and a promotions pack must be attached for review purposes. Promotional material will not be returned.**

SHOWCASE RULES

1. All nominations **MUST BE RECEIVED** by the OFMA Office by October 20th and the OFMA will notify each act selected by early December of the date and time the act will showcase.
2. Each act must either be an Associate Member of the OFMA or must be represented by an agency which is an Associate Member of OFMA. The **ASSOCIATE DUES** to the **OHIO FAIR MANAGERS ASSOCIATION** are \$115.00 and the dues **MUST** be paid at the time of submitting.
3. Each act or agent representing act **MUST** have a tradeshow booth or hospitality room in which to conduct business or to be contacted at. The Tradeshow booth fee or the Hospitality Room Reservation **MUST** accompany this nomination form in order to be eligible to perform.
4. If a Booking Agency, you may turn in as many acts as they desire. Please include pictures, resumes, **Video's must be Dropbox/ftp/Google drive or on a flash drive. Videos should be in HD and in an MP4 or mov format, no on line internet access or u-tube CD or DVD. Only one act per agency will be selected to perform during the showcase on Friday evening. No promotional materials will be returned.**
5. The acts selected for Friday evening Showcase, will be of the type act that would normally be engaged for a paid grandstand. Up to five (5) acts may be selected.
6. All Showcase acts will be introduced by a Master of Ceremonies.
7. The Friday evening Showcase will consist of two (2) stages with acts alternating stages. Set up time is not to exceed twelve (12) minutes preceding performance time and tear down time is not to exceed five (5) minutes following the performance. The maximum performance time for each act will be negotiated by Showcase Coordinator. Sound check to start at 12 noon on the day of the Showcase beginning with act # 5, and ending with act # 1.
8. If an agency allows their act to exceed their allotted time, they will not be able to submit a showcase act for two (2) years.
9. The OFMA will provide the following for the Showcase acts:
 - A) a room for the performance
 - B) negotiated staging
 - C) negotiated sound and lighting
 - D) negotiated stage power
10. No act will be allowed to showcase any two (2) consecutive years.
11. Any no-show without a justifiable reason, will not be able to showcase for two (2) years.
12. The Master of Ceremonies may have a five (5) minute opener, one (1) minute between acts and a ten (10) minute closure.
13. Magic, comedy, and non-amplified type entertainment will be scheduled for the Queen's Contest on Thursday, ODA Luncheon Friday or Saturday. The act will be limited to a 20 or 30 minute segment, depending on event performing at. Act must be self-contained and acoustical.
14. All acts **MUST** submit a stage plot with their application. The act is responsible for providing their own instruments, amplifiers, drum kit, etc for the Showcase stage.
15. No pyrotechnic, smoke, bombs, flash pots, etc., allowed without a license from the Columbus Fire Department and permission of the OFMA.
This form, Promo Material, Associate Membership, and booth or hotel suite reservation MUST BE RECEIVED by the OFMA Office no later than October 20th to:

Ship To: OFMA 5205 Fishcreek Road Stow, OH 44224

Ohio Fair Managers Association, its officers, staff members or convention committee will not be responsible for any injury, loss or damage that may occur to any entertainer, the entertainer's employees or any other person, or property prior, during or subsequent to performance, provided such as injury, loss or damage is not caused by the negligence or willful act of one or more of the aforementioned parties. Reasonable care for the protection of the entertainers and materials will be exercised. However, entertainers who agree to perform expressly cease the foregoing the named association, individuals and committees from and agree to indemnify same against any and all claims for such loss, damage, or injury. Talent booking agents and/or entertainers desiring to carry insurance will place it at their own expense.

Signature

Date

