



2018 LUPUS FOUNDATION OF ARKANSAS, INC. STATEWIDE TALENT SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

1. There will be four age categories: 1st (5-17), 2nd (18-35), 3rd (36-59), and 4th (60+).
2. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show is open to all willing to perform. Staff are ineligible to compete.
3. All acts compete in one of four 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 visual importance in the performance. Improper age category may result in disqualification.
4. Vocalists should use recorded accompaniment tracts with vocal background, but there shall be **no lead vocal on the tract**. For recorded accompaniment, **a CD with only one tract is recommended**. **Acts should bring two (2) copies of their CD**. Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. will retain one copy for their use if act is selected. **This CD will not be returned**.
5. Entries will be accepted in the following categories: **vocal, instrumental, comedy, spoken word, and dance**. Due to set-up time limitations (no longer than one minute), acts with more than three single instruments or acts that include full drum sets will have to arrive early to set up at audition and final performance if selected. **Lip sync is not allowed**.
6. 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 selection exactly during tryouts, 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 may perform **only one number**. Selection 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.
7. The performance **may not exceed THREE minutes** in length, with one minute allowed for set-up, if any. **Contestants exceeding the time limit will be penalized points**.
8. **Auditions:** After receiving all the entries, the committee will select applicants to perform at the tryouts. The auditions will be held February 23rd & 24th, 2018. Auditions will not start any earlier than 5:00 pm Friday, February 23rd, and no earlier than 10:00 am on Saturday, February 24th. If you are selected to audition, you will receive an email of confirmation (with a notation to verify), location, and time-slot of your performance. All auditions will be held in Little Rock, AR. In situations where contestants have chosen the same song, the first registered applicant has the right to perform that song. You will be notified in the email if that situation has occurred. **You must wear or bring the attire you will be wearing for the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show during your audition for approval by the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Committee**.



9. **Semi – Finals:** The Semi-final round will take place at the Ron Robinson Theater, 100 River Market Avenue, Little Rock on Saturday, March 10, 2018 starting at 4:00 pm. There will be a maximum of up to 20 entries selected from the tryouts to move on to the semi-final round. There will be a 15 minute intermission after this round.
10. **Final Round:** There will be 1 finalist from each age category selected to move on to the final round after the intermission. There will be a \$1,000.00 cash award and trophy for the 1st place winner; \$500 and trophy for 2nd place, and \$200 and a trophy for the 3rd place winner.
11. Each contestant must be available to perform in each round. Should an act fail to perform in a particular round, that act forfeits the right to advance to the next round. Substitutions will not be allowed. The vacated time slot will be assigned to the first available talent on the alternate list as established by the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Committee.
12. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Committee shall have sole authority in selecting acts in the competition, scheduling of those selected and control over stage sets, sound, lights, power and overall (master) volume.
13. **Complete entry forms along with registration fee of \$75.00 made payable to the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. must be submitted no later than the day of your audition. Contestants will not be allowed to audition if registration is not paid in full.**
14. A contestant may only submit one application and can only appear in one act.
15. Once a contestant has **won** the 2018 Talent Show, he/she/they **will not be eligible to compete for the following year** at the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent Show.
16. All act equipment is the sole responsibility of the act. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Committee assumes no liability for said equipment or responsibility for procurement if same.
17. The house sound system will be provided by the Ron Robinson Theater and will be scaled to the venue used and reasonable requirements of the contestants. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Stage Manager will have absolute control over the sound system.
18. No modification to stage acts, equipment or sound is to be made by any attraction without the written approval of the Talent Show Stage Manager and coordinator.
19. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show Committee assumes no responsibility for any expense, meals, transportation, or rooms of any contestant.
20. Rest rooms closest to the stage will be available for change of clothes. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. will not be responsible for lost, stolen articles, valuables, damages, or injury.
21. Each contestant on stage will receive one admission ticket the day of their performance. Each act with no licensed driver will receive one additional pass for one adult chaperone.



22. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Talent Show may be videotaped. It also will be photographed by an Official Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Photographer.
23. All judges' decisions are final and scores will not be released to contestants or the public.
24. 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 in radio advertisements.
25. All contestants must sign a 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 is paid. 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.



Please read the entire packet before completing the attached Entry Form, Biography for each performer, and Stage Layout. Please print clearly or type all information required. Use additional pages if necessary.

Application is hereby made for entry into the 2018 Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent Show. In consideration of the acceptance of the application, the entry agrees to indemnify, hold harmless, and defend against any actions the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc., Board of Directors, nor their volunteers from and against all liabilities whatsoever arising out of its participation in the 2018 Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent Show.

Submission of entry form does not ensure acceptance. The Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent Show Committee approval is required.

*A completed Entry Form must include (1) Description of the act, (2) Photograph of contestant(s), (3) One page biography for each performer with background information, names of all the contestants, ages and birthdates, and where they are from, talent contests you have performed in, and how you have finished and other information that could be used in introducing your act, (4) If any contestants have a connection to lupus, and (5) Stage plot showing microphone and positioning for each member of the act. Include all technical requirements and whether your act will use a CD.

Entrant agrees to comply with the rules and regulations of the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent Show as prescribed and listed in this form, or additional rules that are deemed necessary for the safe conduct of the talent contest and related activities. Failure to comply may cause denial of entry on the day of competition or jeopardize future participation.

All finalists will be notified by email within 7 (seven) business days following application closing date of February 9, 2018. The *tryouts* will be held Friday, February 23rd and Saturday, February 24th, 2018 at a designated location in Little Rock, AR included in your email notification if selected. The *Semi-finals* and finals will take place Saturday, March 10, 2018 at the Ron Robinson Theater, 100 River Market Avenue, Little Rock. Mail completed original entry form along with registration fee of \$75.00 to:

Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc.
c/o of Talent Show Committee
6410 Woodfield Road, Little Rock, AR 72209

OR

You may obtain your packet and pay your registration fee at the website: <https://www.lupusarktalentshow.com> and email to address below with appropriate signatures. A picture of the person or group must be uploaded and accompany application! Your entry is not official until the registration fee has been paid and processed!

TALENT SHOW REGISTRATION OPENS OCTOBER 1, 2017!!!

ENTRY DEADLINE: ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY:
10:00 P.M. FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018

For further information, please call (501) 766-2691 or email:
davidlashley1955@gmail.com



ENTRY FORM
2018 LUPUS FOUNDATION OF ARKANSAS, INC. STATEWIDE TALENT SHOW
 Sponsored by the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc.
 Entry Deadline: 10:00 PM, FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 2018

NAME OF GROUP OR INDIVIDUAL PERFORMING: _____

NAME OF PERSON SUBMITTING APPLICATION: _____

ADDRESS: _____ City _____ Zip _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____ CELL _____

NUMBER OF PEOPLE IN ACT: _____ LIST ALL GROUP MEMBERS BELOW (add a sheet if necessary)

NAME	AGE	BIRTHDATE	HOME PHONE

DIVISIONS: _____ (1) (ages 5-17) _____ (2) (ages 18-35) _____ (3) (36-59) _____ (4) (60+) _____ (Mark One)

TALENT CATEGORY: _____ Vocal _____ Instrumental _____ Comedy _____ Band _____ Spoken Word _____ Dance _____
 (no more than 3 instruments.)

NAME OF PIECE TO BE PERFORMED: _____

TYPE OF ACCOMPANIMENT: _____ CD _____ ELECTRONIC PIANO _____ OTHER

EQUIPMENT NEEDED: _____ # of Wireless Handheld Mics (6 Available) _____ CD player

I/We wish to enter the Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. Statewide Talent Show and agree to abide by the rules. I certify that all information provided above is true and accurate.

SIGNATURE: _____ (Parent or guardian must sign for minor.) Date: _____



Audio and Image Release Form
(Each member of the act must sign a separate release form!)

I/We hereby grant Lupus Foundation of Arkansas, Inc. permission to use my likeness in photographs, video recordings or electronic images, and voice and/or musical instruments in audio recordings in any and all of its publications, including website entries, without payment or any other consideration. I understand and agree that these materials will become the property of the organization and will not be returned. I hereby irrevocably authorize the organization to edit, alter, copy, exhibit, publish or distribute these images for purposes of publicizing the organization's programs or for any other lawful purpose. In addition, I waive the right to inspect or approve the finished product, including written or electronic copy, wherein my likeness appears. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of my image. I hereby hold harmless and release and forever discharge the organization from all claims, demands, and causes of action which I, my heirs, representatives, executors, administrators, or any other persons acting on my behalf or on behalf of my estate have or may have by reason of this authorization.

There is no time limit on the validity of this release nor is there any geographic limitation on where these materials may be distributed.

I am 18 years of age and am competent to contract in my own name, or if I am under age 18, a parent or guardian has signed below. I have read this release before signing below and I fully understand the contents, meaning and impact of this release.

(Signature) (Date)

(Printed Name)

If the person signing is under age 18 we would ask that that person sign but there must also be the signed consent by a parent or guardian, below:

I hereby certify that I am the parent or guardian of _____, named above, and do hereby give my consent without reservation to the foregoing release on behalf of this person.

(Parent/Guardian's Signature) (Date)

(Parent/Guardian's Printed Name)