



SEASON 9

AUDITION GUIDELINES AND REQUIREMENTS

- 1 Got Talent is open to youth ages 18 and younger residing in the Kansas City metropolitan area. Applicants who are under 18 years old must have permission from their parent or legal guardian to audition. Applicants cannot turn 19 prior to the audition date of April 18, 2019.
- 2 Proof of residency may be required at auditions. A valid driver's license is acceptable. A current utility bill will also be accepted. For applicants younger than 18 years of age, a parent or legal guardian's information will be accepted.
- 3 Applicants should be a United States citizen, or have a current US visa. Documentation will need to be presented at the audition.
- 4 Applicants will receive an audition confirmation e-mail between April 8-12 with audition details, including time of audition. Please bring all required documentation included in the letter with you.
- 5 All applicants who audition may not necessarily move on to the finale. Acts will be judged based on these categories: level of ability, execution of act, stage presence, and overall impression/"wow" factor. Based on scoring by Got Talent producers the top acts will be selected to compete in the final show on Saturday, June 1. Those selected will be notified no later than 7 days after the auditions.
- 6 Past Got Talent contestants* are welcome to audition. Got Talent producers will not select more than a small percentage of qualifying returning acts. *See line 7 for past winner guidelines
- 7 *Got Talent GRAND PRIZE winners are not eligible to participate in future shows. Got Talent 2nd and 3rd place winners must sit out for one year before returning to the show.
- 8 Got Talent is open to all types of talent. However, please be aware that time constraints do not permit extensive set-up at auditions. **This will be strictly enforced.** All acts should plan to audition acoustically-including bands. If a band is selected to move on to the TOP show, they will be allowed to use regular set-up of equipment (including amps, full drum set, etc.). Audition set-up that will be available is limited to a CD player, piano, an iPod/iPhone/iPad connection. If you are performing to music, either bring your MP3 device, or bring a CD of your music, clearly labeled with your act's name.

- 9 Each act is allowed 90 seconds for their audition. If selected as a TOP contestant, acts will be allowed 2 minutes and 55 seconds.
- 10 Each act selected for the finale is required to use their audition piece in the final show. No changes will be allowed other than the increase of time allotted.
- 11 For group performances, all members of the group must be present at auditions.
- 12 Keep in mind that Got Talent is a show for all audiences. Any inappropriate material or language will be detrimental to the audition.
- 13 During auditions, fire, swords or other sharp objects will not be permitted. If a prop appears dangerous but is not, please alert a Got Talent committee member.
- 14 Any type of powder, oil or other substance that could affect another contestant's performance is prohibited.
- 15 Got Talent and Lee's Summit CARES reserve the right to refuse an audition to any individual or act at their discretion.
- 16 **If you are a scholarship winner:** Scholarships will be delivered upon proof of enrollment at any institute of higher education. To process scholarship delivery, send school name, phone number and mailing address to Lee's Summit CARES at 901 NE Independence Ave, Lee's Summit, MO 64086. We will submit the scholarship funds directly to your school within 30 days of receiving your enrollment information. If we do not receive enrollment information from you, we will hold the funds until you turn 25, upon which they will be considered forfeited and will be returned back to the Lee's Summit CARES general fund. **If any of your contact information changes prior to your submittal for the scholarship money, please notify us by mail.**

