



Individual/Group Name:

Address:

City: State: Zip:

Phone: - - e-Mail:

Type of Act: vocal instrumental dance/movement other

School (if applicable):

Comments/Special Requirements:

Please print below the name and age of each performer (limit 6):

| NAME | AGE (as of Sept. 1) |
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Registration Fee: \$5.00 x number of group members: = \$.00

If the registration deadline (June 1) has passed, the registration fee is \$10.00 per performer. Make checks payable to **Medford Jingle Bell Festival Committee**. Registration fees are not refundable. Please read official rules below.

COMMITTEE USE ONLY

Category: _____ Group: _____ Reg. No. _____

SC1: _____ SC2: _____ SC3: _____ T: _____ R: _____ GFS: ___Y ___N

Comments: _____

OFFICIAL RULES

"Medford's Rising Star" is open only to Medford, Massachusetts residents or students enrolled full-time in an educational institution located within Medford, Massachusetts who are at least 6 years of age as of Sept.1. If an entrant is a group, at least one member of the group must meet the residency requirement detailed previously. Contestants will be assigned to a category based on his/her/their age group (6-12 years, 13-17 years, 18 years and older). The category assignment of group acts (limited to six members) will be determined by the age of the oldest member of the group as of Sept. 1. Parental/Guardian permission will be required for each applicant under the age of 18. Proof of age will be required at time of audition.

The number of entrants (individuals or groups) will be limited to 150 per category based on the registration postmark date. Any registrations postmarked after the registration deadline will be subject to the "at-the-door" fee if the maximum number of entrants for a particular age group has not been reached. Registrations will be returned to the applicant after the maximum number of entrants is reached. Otherwise, registration fees will be non-refundable. If the maximum number of entrants has not been reached by the date of the audition, entrants may audition on a first-come, first-served basis until the limit is reached.

Audition performances may not exceed two minutes in length. A panel of entertainment professionals will evaluate entrants on talent, showmanship and overall performance. Entrants with the 10 highest audition scores with each category will be selected to participate in the grand finale, which will be open to the public and held approximately one month after the audition. Two alternates will also be selected based on audition score. Alternates will commit to participate in the grand finale if a finalist cannot complete his/her/their obligation. The Judges' decisions will be final. Finalists will be notified by phone, e-mail or mail.

Prizes will be awarded at the conclusion of the grand finale to a winner and two runners-up in each category. Winners have the opportunity to perform at one or more community events (based on the appropriateness of talent/performance).

Entrant irrevocably grants the Medford Jingle Bell Festival Committee, sponsor of "Medford's Rising Star," the right to film, video and use entrant's name, voice, performance, photograph and likeness without additional compensation in advertising, publications, promotions, publicity on the Medford Jingle Bell Festival Web site and in all media now known or hereafter developed for the contest and the right to manufacture copies of all or any portion of the performance, in any form and by any method now or hereafter known, including to import, export, sell, transfer, release, or license and/or use the performance in any medium and in any manner, including but not limited to use as a master recording, audiovisual works, and without payment of any compensation to you except where otherwise required by law; and to publicly perform or to permit the public performance of the performance or master recordings by means of radio broadcast, cable transmission, satellite transmission, television broadcast or any other method now or hereafter known.

The entrant releases the Medford Jingle Bell Festival Committee from any and all claims of liability for invasion of any personal or property right, which entrant has or may have. Entrant warrants and represents that the use of the performance, song or spoken words and any use thereof and in connection with the contest shall not infringe upon any statutory or common law copyright and shall not constitute a defamation, or invasion of the right of privacy or publicity or infringement of any other right of any kind of any third party. Entrant shall indemnify and hold harmless the Medford Jingle Bell Festival Committee and its directors, officers, members, volunteers and affiliates from and against any and all liability, claims, loss, damage, injury or expense of any kind, including attorney fees arising in connection with any third party action or breach of any of its representations or warranties made herein.

The purpose of "Medford's Rising Star is to raise money for charities supported by the Medford Jingle Bell Festival Committee and to provide Medford, Massachusetts residents and students enrolled full-time in an educational institution located within Medford, Massachusetts with a forum to showcase his/her/their artistic abilities (i.e., music, dance, spoken word, comedy, etc.). The judging criteria includes (but is not limited to) talent (50%), showmanship (25%) and overall performance (25%). After operating expenses and the purchase of supplies, proceeds from "Medford's Rising Star" sponsorships, ticket sales and registration fees will be distributed by the Medford Jingle Bell Festival Committee to Medford Community Family's Buddy Coholan Memory Loss Center, a qualified non-profit organization that provides day care services for Alzheimer's patients.

1. The use of profanity or explicit statements/movements is not permitted. Vulgar language or gestures is strictly prohibited.
2. Music must be queued and ready to go. Instrumentalists, with the exception of pianists, will need their own instrument.
3. Entrants requiring the use of electronic equipment will be allowed three minutes prior to, and three minutes after, the audition for set-up and removal.

NON-COMPLIANCE WITH "MEDFORD'S RISING STAR" GUIDELINES MAY RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION, AND REGISTRATION FEE WILL BE NONREFUNDABLE.

By signing below, you agree that you have read, fully understand and accept the terms and conditions of the official rules.

| NAME | ENTRANT SIGNATURE | GUARDIAN SIGNATURE |
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Send completed registration form and check to:

**Medford Jingle Bell Festival Committee
P. O. Box 560303
West Medford, MA 02156**