



8th ANNUAL
Texas Amateur Talent Competition
&
Cameo Girl Pageant



Omni Westside Hotel
13210 Katy Freeway *Houston, Tx. * MONDAY, June 12, 2017

**OVER \$1000 IN CASH
AWARDED!**

WHAT IS TXATC

Texas' Amateur Talent Competition is dedicated to the advancement of various talent categories through competitive events, the establishment of professional ethics and the standardization of training. The competition is open to all amateur participants who are engaged in the performing arts, regardless of their affiliation with any other talent association or pageant.

WHO MAY COMPETE IN TXATC

Any amateur may enter TXATC (anyone who has not made more than \$6,000 in a calendar year through a talent contract).

REGISTRATION FEE

A \$30.00 Registration Fee is required to participate in the TXATC State Competition. Each talent category entered is \$15.00. Cameo is \$95.00. There is a package price for those wanting to enter both events. If you are a North or South Texas Regional Cameo Winner the \$30.00 Registration Fee will be paid. Please note that on the Entry Form below.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Events have been scheduled so that contestants may participate in both the Talent and Cameo Competitions.

TALENT SOLO AGE DIVISIONS

All talent events will be divided into the following age divisions: 2-3, 4-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-17, 18 -26 -married or single. Age is determined on the day of the event.

CATEGORY AWARDS

Official TXATC awards will be given to 1st, 2nd and 3rd place ranked talents in each talent category. In the event that there are less than three (3) participants in a category, the judges (at their discretion) may withhold giving a 1st place award if they feel the participant is not qualified for such an award. **Age divisions with less than 3 may be combined at the discretion of the Director.**

PHOTOGENIC

This competition is judged on photogenic qualities from a photograph. Bring photo on day of competition (DO NOT MAIL). Photo may be black & white or color. Photos will be returned. Judges will score on photographic beauty, mood or expression and quality of photograph. Any size photo up to an 8X10 can be used. You must enter at least one Photogenic Entry to be considered for TXATC Talent of the Year. You may enter additional photos at \$15.00 each. The highest average scored photo will be used per participant and will be added to their talent score totals only. The judges will use a 1-5 point system and the average of all 3 will be given. **No Photogenic medals will be awarded.** This score is only used for those participants entering Talent of the Year.

OVERALL "TXATC TALENT OF THE YEAR" AWARDS

To qualify for the Overall Talent Award, a participant must enter a minimum of three (3) solo talent categories and the mandatory Photogenic competition. Each talent will be judged but only the 3 highest ranked talents will receive a ranking per category. Each 1st place = 3 pts; each 2nd place = 2 pts; each 3rd place = 1 pt. You may enter as many categories as you desire with the three highest ranked categories going toward your Overall score. The participant with the highest number of points earned in their Top 3 categories in each age division including their Photogenic score will be awarded the official "TXATC TALENT OF THE YEAR" title, banner, crown and a \$200.00 CASH* AWARD. In the event of a tie, those making the tie will perform again that evening at the Cameo Girl Pageant. The Cameo Judges will break the tie. You may compete with the talent of your choice. ***Money may be prorated based on total number of contestants and the Talent of the Year awards may be combined based on total amount of contestants.** The TXATC Talent of the Year winners will be announced at the Cameo Pageant that evening.

OPEN TALENT

We are offering an Open Talent category where a participant can elect to perform the same style of talent more than once. For example, if you have 2 tap numbers, you can enter 1 under Dance – Tap and 1 under Open Talent or 2 piano pieces, etc. Each category will be judged and scored according to the rules above. Keep in mind, Open Talent will be a variety of talents competing together.

METHOD OF ADJUDICATION

TXATC talent competitions will be judged on the following: 1) Appearance; 2) Composition of Routine; 3) Variety & Difficulty; 4) Execution; and 5) Presentation. In the "Cameo Girl Pageant" competition will be judged on 1) Physical Beauty, 2) Poise and 3) Overall Appearance/Presentation.

Example of How Scoring Works- Sally Sue enters 4 categories plus Photogenic. She wants to go for the Talent of the Year. She enters and scores the following:

Dance Tap – placed 2nd = **2 points**

Open Talent (tap again) – placed 3rd = **1 point**

Dance Ballet/Lyrical – placed 1st = **3 points**

Gymnastics/Acro – didn't place in Top 3 = **0 points**

Photogenic Score – Judge 1 scores 2, Judge 2 scores 5 and Judge 3 scores 4 – Total Photogenic Score = 11 points divided by 3 = **3.6 points**

Top 3 scores are taken for Talent of the Year – **6 points** plus the added average Photogenic score of 3.6 gives Sally Sue a total of **9.6 points**.

TXATC RULES & REGULATIONS

All participants will provide their own background music for their talent performances. The stage dimension is a minimum of 36X24. Gymnastics mats will not be provided and are strongly discouraged. Props must be a "hand" prop in order to be used. Do not use a prop just for scenery purposes. Costumes for all talent routines are "anything" goes, but keep a sense of modesty when selecting your costumes. Stage makeup is allowed. It will be the decision of the judges if they feel the costume is too revealing or not age appropriate. Entrants may enter as many talent categories as desired. **NEW THIS YEAR** - Participants may enter two talents in only **ONE** category. Presentations should be about 2-minutes in length but may **NOT EXCEED 2:30 minutes**. Having your own piano accompanist or pre-recorded accompaniment track is recommended. A piano, CD player and microphone (lavalier, stand or hand mike) will be provided. Any other equipment is the participant's own responsibility. No type of fire or knife act or special lighting effects will be allowed. A spotlight will not be used. Please make sure the CD turned in is clean, free of scratches and has only the one performance talent song on it. No cell phones or laptops will be allowed to play music. Please come prepared and have a backup CD with you.

CAMEO GIRL PAGEANT

The "Cameo Model" has long been revered in the modeling profession for her classic features and flawless beauty. In the Cameo Girl Pageant, participants in the 2-3 yr, 4-6 yr, 7-9 yr, and 10-12 yr divisions will be judged in street length party dresses, which is above, at or slightly below the knee, and the participants in the 13-17 yr, and 18 & over divisions will be judged in full length formals. The participants will not state their name, age and hometown during their modeling presentation. Participants in the 2-3 age division can be escorted by a chaperone. This is optional for this division. Awards in each age division: 1st – 2nd alternate trophies; Overall Winner: Official "Cameo Girl" State title, banner, round crown, trophy, scepter, official jacket and \$50 CASH AWARD onstage.

SPECTATOR TICKET PACKAGE PLANS

Participants receive an admittance badge at no charge; however all spectators (including parents) must either purchase a TXATC/Cameo COMBO Ticket Package Plan (a value for only \$10.00) or pay at the door for each competitive session. The Ticket Package Plan includes a Spectator Badge which allows "walk-through admittance to all events. Package Plans may be pre-ordered on the Entry Blank. Individual tickets are 10.00 for each event.

HOUSING

Our Host Hotel is the Omni Westside Hotel, located at 13210 Katy Freeway in Houston, Texas. Special TXATC RATES for participants and their families will be offered. Reservations **MUST** be made through the TXMTC/Cinderella State Office and must be guaranteed by credit card or deposit at the time the reservation is made. Please complete the Housing section below if a guest room is needed.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SUNDAY, June 11, 2017

7:00 - 8:30 pm.....TXATC Talent/Cameo Early Bird Registration

MONDAY, June 12, 2017

9:00TXATC Final Talent Check In/Registration

10:00.....TXATC Talent Orientation

10:30 - 3:00TXMTC Talent Competition/Awards

4:30 - 6:00Final Cameo Girl Pageant Registration

8:00.....Cameo Modeling Ages 2 – 9 yrs

8:30.....Cameo Modeling Ages 11 - Over

9:15Talent of the Year & Cameo Girl Crowning (time approximate) We will also have any Talent tie-breaker performances during this time if necessary.

ENTRY BLANK

MAIL TO: TXATC STATE HEADQUARTERS
13902 OAK SPRING RD - CYPRESS, TX 77429 • PHONE (713) 702-2307

Name _____ Age _____ Birthdate _____

Parent's Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Cell Phone () _____

_____ **I am a Regional Cameo Winner. I receive my \$30.00 Registration Fee Paid. Pageant Won** _____

Age Division on day of contest:

2-3 yrs 4-6 yrs 7-9 yrs 10-12 yrs 13-17 yrs 18 -26 yrs

TXATC/CAMEO DIVISIONS ENTERED

\$30.00 Registration Fee required of all participants. This fee covers participation in any and all TXATC divisions as well as the Cameo Girl Pageant. Each talent event entered is \$15.00 each. Please check the talent categories you wish to participate in.

PLEASE CHECK THE CATAGORIES ENTERING

- ___ Cameo Competition ___ Dance - tap ___ Dance – ballet or lyrical ___ Musical Theater Vocal (ex. Song & dance, Broadway tune)
 ___ Photogenic ___ Novelty Dance (all other dance) ___ Gymnastics/Acro ___ Open Talent (anything goes)
 ___ Additional Photogenic ___ Musical Instrument ___ Vocal ___ Variety (drama, baton, ventriloquism, etc. **No dance or vocal**)

ENTRY FEES (Check all that apply.)

*(Please note: A \$10.00 charge will be added for late or last minute entries. No exceptions!
Choose either the package below or enter competitions separately under the section "Individual Competitions")*

PACKAGE:

_____ \$195.00 Talent/Cameo Special Package (Includes 3 Talent categories, 1 Photogenic Entry, Cameo Entry and 1 badge)

INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS:

_____ \$30.00 Registration Fee (required)

_____ # of Photogenic Entries @ \$15.00 ea = \$ _____ (A minimum of 1 entry to be eligible for TXATC Talent of the Year" award)

_____ # of Talent events @ \$15.00 ea \$ _____ (A minimum of 3 Categories to be eligible for TXATC Talent of the Year" award)

_____ \$95.00 Cameo Girl Entry Fee

OPTIONAL CHARGES:

_____ **Hotel Room** - \$145.00 per night *(Please check)* _____ Sat 6 /10 _____ Sun 6/11 _____ Mon 6/12 _____ Tue 6/13

(Please check) King _____ Double Beds _____ \$145.00 X _____ Nights = _____ Total Cost

_____ # of Spectator Admission COMBO Ticket Plan @ \$10 each (includes TXATC Talent & Cameo Girl)

_____ # of TXATC Talent Admission Ticket @ \$10.00 each

_____ # of Cameo Girl Admission Ticket @ \$10.00 each

_____ \$10.00 Late Fee (if entering on Monday)

\$ _____ Total of Fees & Charges

Certified Check or Money Order Enclosed: VISA MASTERCARD AMEX DISCOVER (4.25% charge added to credit card)

Cardholder's Name _____ Card Number _____ 3 digit code _____

Card Mailing Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Expiration Date _____ Signature _____



*Round Crowns... Banners.....Medallions and
\$\$ Thousands Awarded!*

