



Just Sing Contest

Presented by Alliston Potato Festival www.allistonpotatofest.com/just-sing



Contest Outline:

The Just Sing Contest is open to all youth in South Simcoe who are between the ages of 4-13. Contestants enter the contest by submitting a 3 minute video of themselves singing their choice of audition song either acapella or alongside a karaoke track (a music track with only music, no additional singers of any kind).

Those selected (20 contestants) will attend the Just Sing LIVE auditions.

All contestants entering the Contest **MUST** be willing to perform in the live shows if selected.

These performances will be open to the public and held for 4 weeks at the Gibson Centre on Monday's July 8, 15, 22, and 29 from 6-7:30pm.

The Finale and Awards will take place Saturday, August 10th from 11:00 am – 1:00 pm at the Alliston Potato Festival on the Main Stage at the Beer Gardens where the category winners will be awarded and prizes will be given!

This is a family-friendly, inclusive, safe and accessible environment and we welcome everyone to attend!

How to enter:

1. Application fee is \$10. e-Transfer can be sent to apfpayments@gmail.com
2. Create a video (3 mins or less) showcasing your audition song. The song choice is up to you. Only **one** entry per contestant so make sure you like your song choice! Duplicate entries by any contestant will lead to automatic disqualification.
3. Entrants must save their video in MP4 format and submit their video and Application form to justsingalliston@gmail.com
4. We **must** receive a completed Application form as well as the video submission.
5. Entries for the Just Sing Contest shall run until: **Monday June 24, 2024 11:59pm.**
6. Only video entries submitted to our submission platform will be considered.
7. To qualify, all entries must be received on or before 11:59 p.m. (EST) on Monday, June 24th, 2024 through our submission platform.



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Submitting Video File For Original Audition:

Contestants are required to submit **one** video file for your original audition entry. This file is to be submitted to: justsingalliston@gmail.com by Monday June, 24 2024 at 11:59pm. **NO** late entries will be accepted.

Video files can be acapella or have audio that is karaoke style (a music track with only music, no singers of any kind) with you singing alongside. They **must** be 3 minutes or less, saved as **MP4** and include:

Contestants first and last name AND artist name and title of song.
Example: JenniferSmith_michael jackson_beat it.

***Please include your Application form in your email and send your \$10 e-Transfer to apfpayments@gmail.com if you haven't already done so.**

Selection of the Top 20 Contestants:

A selection committee representing the Just Sing contest (consisting of local, qualified and skilled artists and teachers) shall review all videos submitted by each entrant to determine which entrants will perform at the Live Auditions starting July 8th.

The selected Contestants **MUST** be available for all audition dates at the Gibson Centre and Potato Festival. The dates are: Monday's July 8th, July 15th, July 22nd and July 29th from 6-7:30pm at the Gibson Centre and the final performances will be on Saturday August 10th from 11-1pm at Potato Festival Main Stage in the Beer Gardens.

The Top 20 Contestants will be informed of the Selection Committee's decision by Friday June 28th, 2024.



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Judging at Live Shows:

The judges will stay the same throughout the duration of the competition. This way they can see the progression of the contestants throughout the weeks and help give constructive feedback to the growing artists.

Contestants will be given feedback weekly on the following categories during the Just Sing performances:

- Overall Performance
- Audience Engagement
- Stage Presence
- Originality
- Personality
- Eye Contact

Song genres and dates are as follows:

July 8th- Song of Choice

July 15th- Country Classics

July 22nd- Today's Hits

July 29th- Famous Movie Songs

August 10th- Rock and Roll

*There will be no eliminations in this contest so come out and do your best!

All 20 performers will have the opportunity to sing every week including at the Finale where we will name our category winners on the big stage at the Potato Festival Beer Gardens!



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Prizes and Awards:

There will be **one** Grand Prize and **three** Category Finalist prizes awarded at the end of the competition.

All participants will receive a welcome package, a “Just Sing award” and a special gift for their participation.

Category Winners:

Most Improved Singer: Category Finalist – prize valued at \$300

Ages 4-8: Category Finalist – prize valued at \$300

Ages 9-13: Category Finalist – prize valued at \$300

Grand Prize Winner (Overall Talent, separate from the Category Finalists) prize valued at \$1200 including **any** 8 week session of your choice for the 2023/2024 season at Gibson School of the Arts!

*Prizes are not transferable or convertible to cash and must be accepted as awarded.

