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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

Vision

The annual **St. Louis Teen Talent Competition** provides high school students the opportunity to **celebrate their passion, dedication, and love of the performing arts** while competing for **college scholarships, cash prizes, specialty awards**, and a chance to **perform on stage** at the Fabulous Fox!

This **bi-state** competition is **FREE** to participate in and showcases the talents of St. Louis metropolitan-area **high school students** and culminates at the **Competition Finals** where Finalists will perform on the **iconic Fox stage** on **Saturday, January 18, 2025**.

Mission

The **St. Louis Teen Talent Competition** is produced by the **Fox Performing Arts Charitable Foundation**, a non-profit 501(c)(3) charitable organization with the mission of **fostering, promoting, and encouraging** young people in the **St. Louis** region to **discover** and **participate** in the joy and wonder of **live performances**. The Foundation provides **unique opportunities** and develops **educational performing arts programs** focused on **young artists**.



Darrius Turner, Vocalist
2024 Finalist - MVP Award
Scholarship Recipient



STUDENT BENEFITS

Each year the Fox Performing Arts Charitable Foundation presents Teen Talent Finalists and Semi-Finalists with college scholarships, cash prizes, and specialty awards.

\$8,000
First Place

\$6,000
Second Place

\$4,000
Third Place

\$50,000+

in college scholarships, cash awards, and prizes awarded annually

Finalists perform live on the **Fox stage** in front of their friends, family, and **tens of thousands of viewers** on **Nine PBS**

Finalists receive **educational** and **development opportunities**.

Semi-Finalists are eligible for **specialty awards** and a chance to **perform** on the Fox Stage in the **Teen Talent ensemble!**

A variety of **performance, audition, and training opportunities**

Encouragement and **artistic support** throughout the competition and beyond



Gabby Dumas, Dancer
2024 Finalist
Creative Impact Scholarship for
Young Women Recipient

ELIGIBILITY

The **St. Louis Teen Talent Competition** is open to **high school students** within a **75-miles** radius of **the Arch**. To qualify for entry, a student's high school (or home address if homeschooled) must fall within this radius.

To **participate**, students **must be enrolled** in grades 9, 10, 11, or 12 during the **2024-2025 academic year**.

Registration is **required** to participate. The **deadline** to **register** for the 2025 Competition is **September 30, 2025**.

Participants must select **one (1) category** their act falls under: **Dance**, **Instrumental**, **Vocal**, or **Specialty** (i.e. Actor, Circus Arts, Comedian, ect.)

Contestants who register **must attend all** competition **rounds**, **mandatory rehearsals**, and **coaching sessions**.

A schedule of the **2025 Competition dates** can be found at the QR code below.



2025 TEEN TALENT COMPETITION DATES

Preliminary Round
October 12 - 13

Semi-Final Round
November 2

The Finals
January 18



Register



Here

REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2025 St. Louis Teen Talent Competition is **open online** at **STLTeenTalent.org**. Registration is required to participate in the competition and **FREE** coaching workshops

The registration deadline for the 2025 competition is September 30, 2024

Performance Guidelines

- Participants can perform in one act only, either as a solo or as part of a group
- Acts may consist of one (1) to six (6) participants
- All participants must be registered before performing in the preliminary round
- An act's performance length must be between 2:30 to 3:30 (minutes : seconds)
- Participants should select material that is "family-friendly" and age-appropriate
- Acts cannot change the category or style after the Preliminary Round

What We Provide

- One (1) piano accompanist per act
- Fully equipped stage:
 - Professional stage flooring
 - Lighting and sound equipment
 - Professional stage crew
 - Microphones and stands
 - Chairs
- Immediate feedback session with judges after audition

For a complete list of registration guidelines visit STLTeenTalent.org



Ava Rhine, Instrumentalist
2024 Finalist
Voss Family Originality
Award Recipient

PRE-COMPETITION COACHING WORKSHOPS

Teen Talent wants **every participant** to feel **supported and confident** as they step on stage for each of the competition rounds.

Get a head start with **coaching** from the Teen Talent creative team to get your act **performance ready**. Contestants are encouraged to attend these **FREE** workshops whether their act is prepared or they need some guidance. Workshops are not mandatory, but strongly recommended.

Participants will receive coaching from performing arts professionals with experience in Dance, Instrumental, Vocal, or Specialty Arts (i.e. Actor, Circus Arts, Comedian, ect.)

All coaching workshops will take place at 3333 Washington Avenue from 9AM - 12PM.

PRE-COMPETITION COACHING WORKSHOPS

Saturday
September 21

Saturday
September 28

Saturday
October 5





THE EXPERIENCE

WHAT PARENTS ARE SAYING

"I would like to thank Teen Talent for the opportunities my son's act, the Drum Warriors Ensemble, have been awarded over the last three years. The young men and our families are extremely grateful and will never forget your kindness and the experience."

Miranda Jones, Drum Warrior Ensemble Mom

WHAT PROFESSIONALS ARE SAYING

"I highly recommended the St. Louis Teen Talent Competition! One of our students competed last year with an original song and loved the experience! Can't possibly say enough great things about this event."

Brian Bauer, Music Instructor at Mimic Music

WHAT PARTICIPANTS ARE SAYING

"Being a part of Teen Talent has been one of the most rewarding experiences a young performer can have. You get to work with professionals who have so much knowledge and provide invaluable feedback during the competition. Teen Talent provides a glimpse of what being a performer on a professional scale is like. I have grown as a performer and made so many memories that will walk with me every day."

Dylan Hughes, Semi-Finalist and Ensemble member





Drum Warriors Ensemble, Specialty Act
2022, 2023, 2024 Finalists
Cultural Expressions Award &
St. Louis Recording Club Prize Recipients



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