



REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

For Office Use Only:	
Registration Fee:	_____
Audition Day:	_____
Time Slot:	_____
Registration Number:	_____

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: () _____ Cell Phone: () _____

E-mail: _____ Age: _____ Occupation: _____

Hobbies: _____

Talent Category (please check one of the following):

Singer: _____ Musician: _____ Dancer: _____ Magician: _____

Band: _____ Martial Arts: _____ Comedian: _____ Other: _____

Briefly describe your act: _____

Stage or group name (optional): _____

If you are performing to recorded music during your act, please list the title and the composer/artist of each recording: _____

List the name of each additional member in your act:

What makes you and/or your group Heartland's next great talent? _____

What would you and/or your group do with the money if you won? _____

How did you hear about Heartland's Got Talent? _____

_____ (initial) I have read and been provided with a copy of the guidelines.

Entry Deadline: Friday, September 17th at 5:00 p.m.

To reserve your spot today, complete this form and return, along with waivers and entry fee to:

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Guidelines

- **Entry Deadline: Friday, September, 17th at 5:00 p.m.**
- Auditions will be held on Saturday, October 9th from 3:00 to 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 10th from 2:00 to 7:00 p.m. during the Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo.
**Schedule is subject to change.*
- Entry Fee: \$20 due at the time of registration.
- Prizes are as follows: First place \$2500, Second \$1250, Third \$750, People's Choice \$500
- Your time slot will be assigned on a first-come, first-serve basis when you turn in your registration form.
- Contestants must arrive an hour before their time slot to allow for changes in the schedule. Those who miss their time will be disqualified.
- Dressing rooms will not be available, if you must change before your audition, please use the restrooms on site.
- Each performance is limited to a maximum time of 1 minute and 30 seconds.
- A 1 minute set up time is allotted for each performance.
- A maximum of two entries are allowed per person. Entry must be in a different category.
- A PA system, a maximum of 5 microphones, a CD player, a sound system and limited backline (if needed) will be provided. **Sound equipment used during the auditions will not be the same as the equipment used during the semi-finals and finals.*
- The dimensions of the stage are 32' x 20'.
- Your music must be in CD format only.
- Judging will be based on appearance, skill and entertainment value.
- We reserve the right to refuse any entry.
- The auditions, semi-finals and finals will all be voted on by a panel of judges; decisions made by judges will be FINAL.
- People's Choice award will be awarded to the contestant with the largest number of votes gathered online.
- Performances will be video-taped and the Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo reserves the right to use the video for event promotions, including but not limited to the HOT website, commercials, etc.
- The Top 40 Contestants who qualify for the semi-finals must perform on Monday, October 11th and/or Tuesday, October 12th for the finalist portion of the talent show.
- Performances for the auditions, semi-finals and finals can be different.
- Anyone under the age of 18 must have permission from their parents or legal guardian to participate in *Heartland's Got Talent*.
- Children ages 12 and under must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- This is a family friendly show; profanity, adult-related content and any drug or alcohol-related content is strictly forbidden.
- Each member of your act must read and sign a release.
- Viewers are welcome, so bring your friends and family for support!!

**For more information, contact Emily Dressen by calling 254-776-1660
or at emily@hotfair.com.**

HEART O' TEXAS FAIR & RODEO
RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

In consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, for being allowed entry into and participation in activities (the "Activities") associated with the McLennan County Fair, Inc. dba Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo and the Extraco Events Center, (collectively, "HOTFAIR"), the undersigned hereby enters into this RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT (this "Agreement") as of the date set forth below.

1. **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF RISKS:** The undersigned recognizes and understands that there are risks associated with their participation in the Activities including, but not limited to, bodily injury or death to persons and damage to property. The undersigned further acknowledges and understands that they will be held liable and responsible for any and all damage to persons, livestock, vehicles, property and/or improvements to property that is caused by them and/or any persons (including, but not limited to, minors) under their care and control, and that arise out of, or are related to, the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities.

2. **APPLICABILITY AND SCOPE OF RELEASES AND INDEMNITIES:** For purposes of this Agreement, "Claims" shall mean any past, present and future claims, losses, costs, expenses, liabilities, demands, or causes of action, and costs of defense or settlement (including, without limitation, attorneys' fees and court costs). For purposes of this Agreement, the term "Released Parties" shall mean the McLennan County Fair, Inc, Heart O' Texas Fair & Rodeo and the Extraco Events Center of Waco, Texas, McLennan County, Texas and their respective present and former officers, directors, members, council members, commissioners, subsidiaries, affiliates, employees, staff, volunteers, agents and any other person, firm, corporation or entity bound to defend or pay judgments against them. The releases, waivers and indemnities contained in this Agreement expressly shall apply regardless of whether the Claims to be released, waived or indemnified against arise, or are alleged to arise, from (i) **NEGLIGENCE (WHETHER SOLE, JOINT OR CONCURRENT), GROSS NEGLIGENCE, NEGLIGENCE PER SE, and/or STRICT LIABILITY**, of the Released Parties; (ii) personal injury, death or property damage; (iii) acts under the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act ("DTPA"); (iv) acts of any other persons or guests; (v) theft, burglary, assault, or other crimes; (vi) fire, water, wind, rain and/or smoke and /or (vii) any other risks and hazards associated with the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities, including, but not limited to, the general conditions at the Activities, animals both wild and domestic that may be diseased and/or potentially dangerous, persons with firearms both on and off the premises used in connection with the Activities, and the driving or riding in any vehicles, whether belonging to Released Parties or to other persons.

3. **RELEASE FROM LIABILITY:** The undersigned hereby RELEASES, ACQUITES AND FOREVER DISCHARGES, and WAIVES any and all Claims against any of the Released Parties that arise from or relate to their entry and participation in the Activities—including, but not limited to, the types of claims enumerated in Paragraph 2—and agree not to sue any of the Released Parties for such Claims. Without limiting the foregoing, the undersigned agrees that the Released Parties shall not be liable to them, their family, or their guests, for personal injury, property damage, or any other Claims arising from or related to the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities.

4. **AGREEMENT TO INDEMNIFY AND HOLD HARMLESS:** The undersigned agrees to INDEMNIFY and HOLD HARMLESS the Released Parties against any and all Claims arising from or related to the undersigned's entry and participation in the Activities—including, but not limited to, the types of Claims enumerated in Paragraph 2. In addition, and without limiting the foregoing, the undersigned agrees to INDEMNIFY the Released Parties for any Claims for injuries to any minors under their care and control and/or his or her parent/guardian, and for any Claims asserted by, through or under the undersigned, arising from or related to the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities—including, but not limited to, the types of Claims enumerated in Paragraph 2. As used herein, "INDEMNIFY" means to agree to

assume the Released Parties' liability in a situation, thereby relieving them of responsibility, and/or reimbursing the Released Party for Claims asserted against them.

5. **PHOTOGRAPH/INTERVIEW RELEASE AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT:** The undersigned GRANTS PERMISSION to be PHOTOGRAPHED, VIDEOED or INTERVIEWED in connection with the Activities. The undersigned understands that any such photograph, video or interview may be used by the Released Parties or television, film, video, visual, graphic or printed media. The undersigned agrees to RELEASE and INDEMNIFY the Released Parties with respect to any Claims related to the usage of such photographs or interviews by the Released Parties or any media—including, but not limited to, the types of Claims enumerated in Paragraph 2.

6. **PROVISIONS APPLICABLE IF PARTICIPANT IS A MINOR:**

If Participant is a minor, such minor's undersigned Parent/Guardian hereby represents and warrants that he/she is the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN of the Participant, and that he/she has the full power, authority, capacity and right, without limitation, to enter into, execute, deliver and perform this Release of Liability/Indemnity Agreement.

As further inducement to HOTFAIR to permit the undersigned's entry into and participation in the Activities, the undersigned represents that they thoroughly and completely understand that this is a complete and final release and indemnity agreement, that they are freely and voluntarily entering into this Agreement, and that no representations, promises or statements made by any of the Released Parties, or any agent, attorney or other representative of any of the Released Parties has influenced the undersigned in causing them to sign this Agreement.

The undersigned understands that this agreement shall be binding on their heirs, executors, successors and assigns, that the Agreement will be governed by the laws of Texas, and that jurisdiction and venue for resolution of any dispute regarding this Agreement shall lie in State District Courts in McLennan County, Texas. If any part of this Agreement is determined to be invalid or unenforceable, it does not affect the validity of the remainder of this Agreement. The undersigned agrees to the terms and conditions above, and acknowledges receipt of this Agreement.

Name Printed of Participant

Signature

Signature of Parent/Guardian if Participant is a Minor

Date

Contact Number for Parent/Guardian