



With so much talent in Southern Utah, La Verkin City is proud to sponsor Talentfest as a part of La Verkin's Annual Winterfest Celebration! Dance, comedy, martial arts, gymnastics, magic, vocal, acting, instrumental... all family-friendly talent is welcome! Individuals or small groups are invited to perform.

***Talentfest Competition:** The Talent Competition will take place Friday, December 6, 2019 beginning at 5:00 p.m. at the La Verkin City Community Center (111 S. Main St.). Contestants need to check in 30 minutes prior to their scheduled performance time in the south entrance of the Community Center where they will be assigned a contestant number. A qualified panel of judges will select a winner from each age group. Contestants will not need to talk to the judges as they will be introduced by the emcee. (Judges will only be allowed to see the contestant's number, not their name.) Contestants will have 1 ½ minutes to perform (90 seconds). *Those going over the time allotment will be docked points.* The top three contestants from each age category will be notified and invited to perform at the Talentfest Showcase Saturday night. Contestants will be judged on technical ability, performance appeal and personality.

***Talentfest Showcase:** The Talentfest Showcase is Saturday, December 7, 2019 at 7:00 p.m. at the La Verkin City Community Center (111 S. Main St.). Contestants will check in 30 minutes prior to performance time at the south entrance. The top three contestants from each age category will perform the same 90 second act they were judged on during Friday night's competition. The emcee will introduce each contestant by name (so the audience will be able to vote for the People's Choice award). The People's Choice winner will only be voted on Saturday night, so friends and family are encouraged to attend! *There are no admission costs for the Talent Competition or Talent Showcase but audience members are encouraged to bring a canned good item to be donated to a local care facility.*

***Awards:** The top winners from each age category, along with the People's Choice winner, will be announced and awarded Visa Gift Cards the night of Saturday, December 7, 2019 at the end of the Talentfest Showcase. All of the awards and judges' selections are final and non-negotiable.

***Registration:** Registration forms can be picked up at the La Verkin City Office Building (435 N. Main St.) or downloaded from www.laverkin.org. The \$10 entry fee and registration form must be turned in at the La Verkin City Office Building no later than **Friday, November 22nd**. No refunds will be issued if the contestant fails to appear or cannot perform due to illness or accident. *(The \$10 entry fee applies to each member in a performing group. Accompanists will not be charged. For those who have more than one family member competing, only the first member of the family will be charged \$10 and the subsequent family members will only be charged \$5.00 each.)* Age category for groups will be determined by the age of the oldest member of the group.

***Music, Dress Code and Props:** Music/lyrics must be family-friendly as well as all talent acts. A modest dress code will be enforced. Please keep props to a minimum to ensure quick and easy set up and removal. There are four microphones available for use as well as a stool. Mats for gymnastics or karate routines are not provided. Please make note on the registration form what you need for your on-stage performance (microphone, stool, piano, etc.). If you do not plan on using an mp3 music track, please make note on the registration form.

Music karaoke tracts must be free of any vocals (for vocal performers only) and submitted to Bonnie Spencer (340 W. 210 S. La Verkin) in the form of a c.d. or thumb drive no later than **Friday, November 22nd**. Mp3 files may also be emailed to laverkintalentfest@gmail.com. Contestants must include their name along with the name of the song.

***Questions:** Please email questions to laverkintalentfest@gmail.com or look on  La Verkin Winterfest.