

Amherst

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OPEN AUDITIONS

FRIDAY, APRIL 8

5:30 - 7:30PM

Open to amateur youth soloists ages 12-20. Must be prepared to sing a Capella. Applications available at Guest Services, boulevard-mall.com or via phone at 631-7132.

FINALISTS SELECTED TO COMPETE

MAY 13 | 5:30 - 7:30PM

Presented by Amherst Youth & Recreation

AMHERST TEEN IDOL SEARCH 2016 – OFFICIAL RULES

1. ELIGIBILITY: Open to amateur youth vocalists ages 12 – 20, as of April 8, 2016.

The decision as to whether or not a contestant is/was a professional performer will be within the sole and absolute discretion of the Amherst Youth & Recreation Department and the Boulevard Mall.

2. CONTEST STRUCTURE:

All participants will be required to perform in a preliminary judging round on Friday, April 8, 2016 at the Boulevard Mall, Alberta Dr., Amherst. All participants are required to have completed and submitted all forms (application and waiver) prior to their performance.

Finalists will be selected based on the judging panels sole and independent judgment. Finalists will be invited to compete in a final judging round on Friday, May 13, 2016 from 5:30-7:30pm at the Boulevard Mall. Preliminary finalists will be notified at the Boulevard Mall on April 8.

One winner and one runner up from the final judging round will be awarded prizes based on the judging criteria. In the unlikely event of a tie, a winner will be determined by a tie-breaking round; if two contestants end up in a tie after the tie-breaking round, the winner will be chosen at random.

3. HOW TO ENTER:

Applications and waivers can be obtained online at www.amherstyouthandrec.org or at Boulevard Mall Guest Services. A completed application, including a parent's or legal guardian's written consent and signature is required before performance on April 8 for each individual contestant.

4. PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES/CRITERIA:

All contestants must be between the ages of 12 – 20 as of April 8, 2016. Contestants must be prepared to sing a cappella (without music) a song of your choice in the preliminary judging. Chosen songs must contain appropriate lyrics – no lewd or inappropriate language; any performance containing inappropriate language will result in immediate disqualification from the competition. If selected to advance to the final round, you will be given the option to perform your chosen song with background music, provided by you on CD. Performances will be limited to a maximum of two (2) minutes at the preliminary competition and four (4) minutes at the final competition.

5. PRIZES:

Prizes will be awarded on May 13, 2016 during the final judging round and will consist of the following:

Grand prize: \$100 Boulevard Mall gift certificate

Runner up: \$50 Boulevard Mall gift certificate

- Winners must be present to win.
- Contest prizes are not transferable. Prizes may not be substituted or redeemed for cash.
- Payment of all federal, state and local taxes are solely the responsibility of the winner. Failure to sign the waiver/consent agreement will automatically disqualify the prize winner with no further notification.
- No purchase is necessary.
- Failure to comply with the contest rules may result in a contestant's disqualification.

6. JUDGING:

All final judging will be performed by a group of panelists selected by the sponsor for both the preliminary and final rounds of competition.

The grand prize winner and runner up will be judged on style, creativity, enthusiasm and overall presentation.

All scores are the sole property of the Amherst Youth & Recreation Department.

This contest is in no way affiliated with American Idol.

"Amherst Teen Idol Search" 2016 APPLICATION

(The Amherst Youth & Recreation Dept. reserves the right, exercisable at any time at its sole discretion, to disqualify you from the competition or audition process should you at any stage supply untruthful, inaccurate or misleading details or information.)

Contest open to Youth solo performers (vocalists) Ages 12 to 20 as of April 8, 2016.

First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Address		City	State Zip
(____)	(____)	(____)	(____)
Home	Cell	Pager	Other
(____)	_____		
Fax	E-mail		
Age: _____	Birthdate: _____		
Education	School: _____	Specialty School: _____	
	Major(s): _____		
	Special Awards/Titles: _____		

Please attach any additional background information you would like us to know about.

PARTICIPANT AGREEMENT

I have read and I agree to abide by the rules and regulations set forth in the "Amherst Idol" official contest rules. I have obtained my parent's permission and consent to participate.

The information contained in this application is true to the best of my knowledge.

Date: _____ Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

PARENT'S CONSENT

(must have parent's consent if under 18 years of age)

By signing below, I give my child _____ permission to participate in the Amherst Idol Contest. I have read and understand the rules which govern my child's participation.

Date: _____ Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Please return completed forms to: Amherst Youth & Recreation/Amherst Idol Search, 1615 Amherst Manor Dr., Amherst, NY 14221. Questions? Call 631-7132.

“AMHERST TEEN IDOL SEARCH” 2016

RELEASE AND WAIVER

Please read the following and then sign and date below:

I hereby acknowledge that: (i) I have read and agree to be bound by, the eligibility requirements for the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH; (ii) I have answered and will answer all questions posed to me honestly and accurately; and (iii) I agree to abide by the decision concerning selection of the performers and winners as final and not subject to challenge or appeal.

I hereby assume all risks associated with participating in this contest (these may include, without limitation, accidental injury, embarrassment, etc.).

Having read this waiver and knowing these facts and in consideration of your accepting my entry, I for myself, my guardians, my heirs, executors, administrators and assigns (collectively, “RELEASORS”) hereby waive, release, forever discharge, and agree to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the Town of Amherst, the Town of Amherst Youth & Recreation Dept., the Boulevard Mall, and their respective agents, employees, members, directors, volunteers, sponsors, promoters and affiliates (each a “RELEASEE” and collectively, “RELEASEES”), from and against any and all liabilities, claims, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys’ fees and disbursements) whatsoever, in any manner arising, directly or indirectly, or growing out of my participation in or preparation for the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH, including, without limitation, any of the foregoing arising out of the negligence of RELEASEES or others. I promise, for myself and on behalf of the RELEASORS, not to sue RELEASEES regarding any claim or cause of action arising out of my participation for the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH.

By signing below, I also acknowledge my understanding that while I am participating in the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH, I may be photographed, videotaped, or audiotaped. I hereby grant the RELEASEES the exclusive right and permission to tape, broadcast, sell or otherwise use, for any purpose whatsoever, any video or audiotapes, photographs, and any and all other electronic or mechanical reproductions in connection with the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH, of me alone or with other persons, together with all alterations or edited versions of the foregoing.

Every term and provision of this Waiver and Release is intended to be severable. If any term or provision of this Waiver and Release is found to be unenforceable or invalid, it shall not affect the other terms and provisions of this Waiver and Release, which shall remain binding and enforceable.

Date: _____ **Printed Name:** _____

Signature: _____

CONSENT, WAIVER AND RELEASE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN

I am the parent or guardian of _____ (name of child). I hereby consent to my child’s participation in the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH. I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE FOREGOING WAIVER AND RELEASE. In consideration of allowing my child to participate, I consent to the terms and provisions of the Waiver and Release and agree that its terms shall likewise bind me, my spouse, if any, my Child, and our respective heirs, executors, administrators and assigns. I, for myself, my Child and the RELEASORS, hereby waive, release, forever discharge, and agree to defend, hold harmless and indemnify the RELEASEES from and against any and all liabilities, claims, costs and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable attorneys’ fees and disbursements) whatsoever, in any manner arising, directly or indirectly, or growing out of my Child’s participation in or preparation for the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH, including, without limitation, any of the foregoing arising out of the negligence of RELEASEES or others. I promise, on my behalf and on behalf of my Child and the RELEASORS, not to sue RELEASEES regarding any claim or cause of action arising out of my Child’s participation in or preparation for the AMHERST IDOL SEARCH.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____

Printed Name of Parent or Guardian: _____

Date: _____