



09/10 IN THE SPOTLIGHT APPLICATION

**Please make sure all information is complete, incomplete applications will not be processed!
There is a non-refundable \$10 processing fee for all applications.**

Participant Name or Group name: _____

Point of Contact: _____

Name of Parent (if under18): _____

Age or age range: _____ School (if applicable): _____

Address: _____

City, State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone (Daytime) _____

(Evening) _____

Email Address: _____

(Due to the number of applicants, the nature of the materials we send out regarding the shows and acceptance notices all contestants MUST have email access!)

Please check the category for which you are applying:

September 20, 2009	Dance Competition	_____	Registration ends 9/14/09
October 25, 2009	Singing Competition	_____	Registration ends 10/19/09
November 15, 2009	Comic Competition	_____	Registration ends 11/9/09
January 24, 2010	Spoken Word Competition	_____	Registration ends 1/18/10
February 28, 2010	Singing Competition	_____	Registration ends 2/22/10
March 21, 2010	Band/Instrumental Competition	_____	Registration ends 3/15/10

FINALE on April 25, 2010

*Please note that competition categories have changed, see rules and regulations sheet for more information.
If applying for more than one competition, please complete an individual registration for each category.*

Please provide a brief description your act including song choice: _____

Do you have any special needs or technical requests? _____

Please list method of accompaniment (CD, live, etc.): _____

Please return the application with \$10 processing fee to:
The Grand, 818 N. Market Street, Wilmington, DE 19801
For inquiries please contact: inthespotlight@grandopera.org
No calls to the theater please!

The Grand's Photographic Contract

Photo Release Form

By signing this form, I hereby consent to and authorize the use and reproduction, in print or electronic format by The Grand Opera House, Inc. or anyone authorized by The Grand Opera House, Inc., of any and all photographs which have been taken on this day for any publicity purpose, without compensation. All images—electronic, negatives and positives, together with prints, are owned by The Grand and/or its photographers.

I hereby acknowledge that I have read all the terms of this release.

Name: _____

Signature: _____

(Signature of Parent if under subject is under 18)



818 North Market, Wilmington, DE 19801
Fax: 302.652.5346

Event Descriptions

Dance on September 20, 2009:

All ages, all style dance, all groupings.

Singing on October 25, 2009 and February 28, 2010:

All ages, all styles, all groupings, including singer/songwriter. *Not included:* Bands and groups with instruments consisting of 3 or more people. *Please note:* If October 28th fills, all overflow will be given priority to February 28th.

Register Early!

Comedians on November 15, 2009:

All ages, all styles, all groupings.

Spoken Word on January 24, 2010:

All ages, all styles, all groupings.

Bands/Instrumental on March 21, 2010:

All ages, all styles, all groupings.

If you have questions regarding which category you fit in, please contact inthespotlight@grandopera.org

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Rules and Regulations

- **ALL APPLICATIONS MUST INCLUDE \$10 PROCESSING FEE. Please do not send cash. Check and money orders can be made out to *The Grand Opera House***
- Processing fees are non-refundable and will apply even if not chosen for the competition.
- All performers must be preregistered by the registration date listed under category descriptions.
- The Grand's employees and their immediate families are NOT eligible to compete.
- Each specific category has a timeslot limit and will vary from genre to genre. To ensure a spot, register as early as possible.
- Contestants will be contacted regarding their application status via email.
- All acts must have email access for competition information.
- Stand-by slots will be issued, however The Grand does not guarantee a performance spot to stand-by contestants.
- All acts must sign a photo release form.
- All persons under the age of 18 must have parent or legal guardian register for individual categories.
- Each act will run NO MORE than three to five minutes. Acts running longer than allotted time may be disqualified.
- All performances must be in good taste; any acts deemed not in good taste by The Grand will be disqualified.
- All performers will supply their own accompaniment. A piano will be available if requested.
- Performance order will be prearranged by the staff of The Grand. Once order is set, no changes will be allowed.
- All acts must be available up to 2 hours prior to the event for sound checks and/or rehearsal time slots.
- Rehearsal and sign in times will be given; please be prompt. Any act arriving late may be disqualified.
- The Grand will provide basic technical requests such as: piano, CD player, microphones, monitors and technical assistance.
- Participants must provide all other equipment, instruments and/or props.
- All music accompaniment on CD must be burned to a disc and contain the performance song only.
- All talent acts will be approved by The Grand based on registration description; incomplete forms will be marked ineligible.
- Judges are subject to change per event, are prearranged by The Grand and are considered experts in each of their fields.
- The decision of the judges is final.
- Winners are based on scoring and age grouping.
- Event coordinator will place each act in appropriate category prior to competition based on act description.

Please keep this sheet for your records and PLEASE read over rules and regulations carefully!