

2012



**WIN UP TO \$1,000 IN
CASH AND PRIZES**

OPEN AUDITIONS

TUESDAY, MAY 22 (AGES 5 - 17)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 23 (AGES 18+)

5:30 P.M.

BOBBY BONDS/CESAR CHAVEZ COMMUNITY CENTER

2060 UNIVERSITY AVENUE

\$20 per person by May 14 at 5 p.m. (after May 14, registration will be accepted the day of auditions at \$30 per person. Cash is not accepted.)

Register online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec or complete application on reverse side and return to your local community center.



WILL YOU BE THE NEXT CHAMPION?



City of Arts & Innovation

RULES AND APPLICATION

- This contest is limited to SOLO vocal entertainers. No duets or groups.
- The Riverside Sings! Vocal Competition is an amateur competition. Contestants who have sung professionally are eligible to compete as long as they do not currently make their living as a professional vocalist/entertainer. Any contestant who has had a recording contract within the last five (5) years is ineligible.
- Past participants that were crowned Riverside Sings! Champions may not compete for two years after their win.
- No profanity or rude lyrics. Entertainers must provide their own music. Music must be on compact disc (CDG format). Regular CDs with vocal tracks are not acceptable. If you have a burned CD and it does not play on our equipment, you will have to sing a cappella.
- Performances will be limited to three minutes. Choose your song wisely. If it is longer than three minutes, be prepared to give a big finish at the three-minute mark.
- Auditions will be held between 5:30 PM and 9 PM on May 22 for ages 5 - 17, and May 23 for adults 18+. The registration fee is \$20 per person before May 14 and \$30 per person at the auditions. All auditions will be held at Bobby Bonds Park in the Cesar Chavez Community Center, 2060 University Avenue. Registration must be submitted to the City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department or online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec by 5 PM on May 14. You will be notified of your audition date and time by phone or e-mail. You must bring your music and written lyrics to your audition.
- Pre-round judging will be done by three (3) committee members. You will be scored in the following categories on a scale from 1 to 5 in each category, with a maximum of 20 points per judge:
 - Vocal Presentation: Vocal dynamics, which includes pitch, tone, breath control, delivery, interpretation, projection and range.
 - Physical Presentation: Appearance, looks, style, wardrobe. Costuming is strongly recommended.
 - Choreography/Entertainment Ability: Dance moves, connecting with the audience, does the performer "own" the stage?
 - Overall Performance: Is the performer in command of the performance? Does he/she have charisma? Is he/she the "Riverside Sings! Champion"?
- All judges' decisions are final. No arguing with judges is allowed. Any contestant, family or associates who argue with a judge may be deemed to be using offensive behavior and the contestant may be disqualified from competition.
- The top 28 (14 in each age division) will move forward to the Rhythm of Riverside Concerts in the Park concert series this summer.
- If chosen to move forward to the Rhythm of Riverside Concert Series portion of the competition and you do not show, you forfeit your position in the competition and will not be able to compete again for two years.
- Final judging will be done by audience at the Rhythm of Riverside Concerts in the Park concert series using ballot boxes. Keep it short and up-tempo so you can get the audience involved. Your stage presence and audience response will make the difference in the final scoring. All public voting/decisions are final. The "Riverside Sings! Champions" will be announced at the conclusion of the concert on August 15 and will be awarded over \$1,000 in cash and prizes.

Name _____ Age _____ Phone _____

Alternate Phone _____ Email Address _____

Mailing Address _____

Preferred Audition Date and Time _____

Song Choice (Title and Artist) **MUST COMPLETE** _____

BY SIGNING THIS DOCUMENT YOU ARE GIVING UP YOUR RIGHT TO SUE

_____ I understand that I am in no way required to participate in the above named activity and that my participation is voluntary.

_____ I understand that I must sign this release of liability if I would like to participate in the above-named activity.

_____ I understand that the City of Riverside is permitted by law to require me to sign this release of liability before permitting me to participate in the above-named activity.

I understand that by signing this document I am forever agreeing to indemnify and hold the City of Riverside and its employees, officers, managers, agents and council members harmless from any and all liability, loss or damage caused by or arising from their negligence, or those of others, including myself. I understand that I am agreeing to forever release from liability the City of Riverside and its employees, officers, managers, agents and council members and further agree to give up my right to sue them for any and all property damage, personal injury or wrongful death resulting from their negligence, my own negligence, or the negligence of others. My signature on this document will also prevent my heirs, assigns, representatives, legal guardians, or any person who may sue on my behalf, from suing as well. I understand that by participating in this activity, there are risks of physical injury to my person or property, as well as risks due to the negligent conduct of the City and its employees, myself, or others, involved with the above named activity. By voluntarily participating in the above-named activity I understand the risks of injury to my person and property and am assuming the risk of such. Refunds will not be granted. Credits will be issued for the amount of the course if the Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department is notified before the second class meeting. Fees, times, and dates of all programs are subject to change. Please be advised that all participants involved in any department programs or special events are subject to being photographed. Such photographs may be used by the City of Riverside without an obligation to provide compensation to those photographed.

PARTICIPANT'S SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____

(PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST SIGN FOR THOSE UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE)

Registration must be turned in by 5 PM on Monday, May 14, 2012 to the City of Riverside Parks, Recreation and Community Services Department, 6927 Magnolia Avenue, Riverside CA 92506, Attention Erica Green or online at www.riversideca.gov/park_rec. On-site registration will be accepted. After May 14 registration will only be accepted on-site at auditions.