
Mundelein High School
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October 3, 2009

A Star Will Be Born!

Mundelein Idol

The Mundelein Idol competition will feature singers competing for cash prizes and the title of Mundelein Idol. Contestants can sing any style of music they choose but must provide a CD with "karaoke" tracks for three different songs. If a contestant would rather use piano, that is acceptable. You may also use other instruments for your song if you provide the instrument. No song should be more than 4 minutes. Styled after the very popular American Idol televised singing competition, the winner will be determined by the audience's vote!

The Format

1st Round – Contestants sing for the audience and in essence the judges. Following the performances, the audience turns in their first round Voting Tickets. Semi-finals – After a 20-minute tabulation break, the top 8 vote getters are pulled from a hat. The random pull of the 8 semi finalists will determine the performance order. Immediately, the rotation begins anew with the 8 semi-finalists performing a different song of their choosing. At the conclusion of the semi-final performances, the audience will vote for their 1 choice to move on to the finals. Finals – After a 15-minute tabulation break, the top 3 vote getters are pulled from a hat. The random pull of the 3 finalists will determine the performance order. The top 3 present their final tune to the audience to vie for the title of Mundelein Idol. After the performances have concluded, the audience votes one more time for the one person they feel is deserving of the title and the top cash prize. The final awards ceremony will follow a short performance by the Mundelein Sound while the final votes are tabulated.

3rd Prize - \$25
2nd Prize - \$50
1st Prize - \$200 + Trophy

Eligibility & Guidelines

1. Contestants for the Mundelein Idol competition may be any age.
2. Contestants can be from any community. In fact, people not from Mundelein High School are very much encouraged to compete.

3. If the number of entries exceed a number determined by the choral director, there will be a preliminary round of singing to be judged by the choral directors on Saturday, September 26, 2008 between 10 a.m. – Noon. If a contestant is traveling from a great distance, a recorded audition is acceptable but must be in the hands of the choral director prior to September 26, 2009. If there is a need for an audition, you will be contacted by e-mail.

4. The order of performance for the first round will be chosen randomly at 1 p.m. on Saturday, September 26, 2009. All contestants will be notified by e-mail of their status and in what order they perform in the first round.

5. An entry fee of \$10 is required with each application. A check made payable to Mundelein Choral Boosters is preferred.

6. The music is chosen by the singer but should be suitable for all audiences. Disqualification due to inappropriate content is strictly up to the choral director. If a contestant is unsure of the appropriateness of lyrics or a song, he/she should ask the choral director before presenting it on stage.

7. Contestants are allowed to change costumes, use props, and move on the stage. The stage will be clear except for platform risers, and a microphone stand. Performers can take the microphone out of the stand or leave it in the stand at their discretion.

8. Contestants are not allowed to use live back up singers or any additional performers in their performances. If there are back up singers on the karaoke track, that is permissible. They may use a single person to play an accompanying instrument

9. Songs should be 4 minutes long or shorter. A well-marked CD should be provided to the choral director on or before Saturday, September 26, 2009. It is important that you name the song you'd like to use for each round at that time.

10. There will be a sound check on Saturday, October 3, 2009. You will receive an e-mail with your exact time for sound check. Each contestant will have 10 minutes to sing on the stage with their CD's and a cordless microphone.

11. A sound technician will cue whatever the contestant wants during his/her sound check. A contestant can have a representative at the soundboard during performance if the contestant wishes to do so.

12. The contest's 1st Round begins at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 3, 2009.

13. Entry deadline is September 24, 2009 but contestants are encouraged to complete the entry earlier if possible.

If you have questions regarding the Mundelein Idol contest, please contact John Neubauer.

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jneubauer@d120.org

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The Audience/Judging Panel

The audience is very important to this competition as the audience is who will choose the winner of the competition. Certainly contestants should encourage their supporters to come to the performance.

Tickets can be bought ahead of time by sending the ticket request. Tickets will be sent by mail to the address given. Advanced tickets are **\$8.00 each**. Advance ticket sales will cease on Saturday, September 26, 2009. The ticket booth will open for sales at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday, October 3, 2009. Same day tickets are **\$10.00 each**.

When you come to the competition, each ticketed patron receives a contestant guide as well as voting tickets for the 1st round, the semi-final round and the finals. Only ticketed patrons will be allowed to vote. Event staff and contestants are not allowed to vote.

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Refer to the above web address for more information as the evening of the competition draws near!

2008 Award Winners:

2008 Mundelein Idol:

Shaeleigh Voitl, Bartlett, IL

1st Runner-up:

Elizabeth Starck, Mundelein, IL

2nd Runner-up:

Gracie Williams, Waukegan, IL

3rd Runner-up:

Rachel Miller, Mundelein, IL

Mundelein Idol

Contestant Application

Name

Address

Phone

E-mail

I have read the rules and requirements and agree to abide by them in regards to my participation in the Mundelein Idol Singing Competition. I have enclosed my \$10.00 entry fee.

Signature

Date

Please mail completed form and \$10.00 Entry fee (*payable to Mundelein Choral Boosters*) to the following address:

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