

FOX Richmond Idol Talent Search



Registration and Audition Rules

NO PURCHASE NECESSARY.

1. REGISTRATION DEADLINE:

- a) Participants can pick up their registration form between July 14, 2008 and August 2, 2008 at any American Family Fitness Center in the Richmond DMA (listed below); Short Pump Town Center; or at the offices of Clear Channel Radio and WRLH FOX Richmond.
- b) The first 300 participants who bring their registration form to Short Pump Town Center between 1pm and 3pm on Saturday August 2, 2008 will receive an official entry form which they will need to complete and turn in, after which they will receive a badge with their official audition number. Should all 300 spots not be filled at 3pm, registration will be extended until all 300 spots are filled or until the final participant auditions on stage, whichever comes first.
- c) Auditions will begin on Saturday, August 2, 2008 at Short Pump Town Center at 3pm for those participants who received a badge. Auditions will take place in numerical order. You **MUST** be present when your number is called to audition. Should you not be present, you immediately forfeit your turn. If the schedule allows you may be allowed to audition after all numbers have been called, at the discretion of the judges and WRLH FOX Richmond.

2. ELIGIBILITY & HOW TO ENTER:

- a) To register for the talent search you must be a legal U.S. and Virginia resident, between the ages of 16 and 28 years old on July 15, 2008 (which means you must be born on or between July 16, 1979 and July 15, 1992). If you were born before or after this window, you are not eligible to participate in the 2008 talent search. Exceptions include employees of Sinclair Television of Charleston, Inc., which owns broadcast station WRLH FOX Richmond (the "Station"), Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., Sinclair Television Group, Inc., Clear Channel Richmond, American Family Fitness, Short Pump Town Center owned by Forest City Enterprises, Fox Broadcasting Company, News America, Inc., Fox Interactive Media, Freemantle Media North America, Inc., American Idol Productions, Inc., 19 TV Limited, 19 Merchandising Ltd., CKX, Inc., their parent, subsidiary, affiliated and related entities, and the officers, directors, employees, licensees, and assignees of each, all judges and their labels/companies, participating sponsors and their agencies, other local radio, TV, cable stations or any other media company and their immediate family members of each which are ineligible. The term "immediate family members" includes spouses, grandparents, parents, siblings, children and grandchildren. The Richmond Idol Talent Search is for amateurs only; no performers who are currently or have been previously under contract with a recording company, management company, members of SAG, or member of AFTRA are eligible.
- b) If participants are under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must accompany them to the audition.
- c) Participants must be registered by 3pm and submit their completed entry form (entry form will be distributed at time of registration) before their audition, at Short Pump Town Center on August 2, 2008 in order to audition.
- d) Participants must be available for all phases of the competition including the following dates:
 - i. Main Audition, Saturday, August 2, 2008 3pm-6pm, finalists announcement at approximately 8pm.
 - ii. TOP TWELVE Competition, Saturday, August 9, 2008 3pm-8pm, winner announcement between 7:30pm and 8pm.
 - iii. American Idol guaranteed audition Tuesday, August 19th, 2008 in East Rutherford, NJ.
 - iv. Winner radio interviews Monday, August 11, 2008 6a-9a at Clear Channel Radio
 - v. Performances the weeks of 8/11/08 and 8/18/08 as scheduled by station.
- e) Contest is void outside the United States and where prohibited or restricted by law.
- f) The Station will conduct a competition, consisting of an audition on August 2, 2008, based on the participant's individual singing and performance talent.

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- g) Participants must complete and bring their registration forms to the main entrance of Short Pump Town Center on August 2, 2008 and register as described in section (c) above.
- h) Each person that registers will be given an entry form that must be completed and signed before their audition.
- i) The audition will be held on Saturday, August 2, 2008 from 3:00pm until all 300 participants have auditioned or until 6 pm, whichever comes first.
- j) At the audition, all eligible participants will be required to perform a song of their choice a cappella. Participants should be prepared to perform at least 30 seconds of their song for the audition. Participants are not permitted to deviate from this guideline. Should a participant fail to comply with either the official rules, or fail to appear for the competition on such date(s) and time(s) as established by the Station, then such participant shall be disqualified.
- k) Limit of one entry per person. **If more than one entry is received from the same person, then that person will be disqualified.** All entries (including any and all videotapes and audiotapes) become the property of the Station and will not be returned.

3. JUDGING OF AUDITION:

- a) All eligible participants will perform before a panel of judges and shall be judged according to their vocal talent (50%), stage presence (25%), and execution (25%).
- b) On August 2, 2008, twelve (12) finalists will be selected by the judges based upon the criterion set forth in section 3(a).
- c) In the event of a tie, the participant with the highest average vocal talent score will be chosen.
- d) The TOP TWELVE finalists will be announced LIVE at Short Pump Town Center following the Open Auditions on Saturday August 2, 2008 at approximately 8pm and later that evening on FOX NEWS AT TEN. You MUST be present and come to the stage by the time the last name of the final finalist is announced. If you do not appear on stage at this time, the next contestant with the highest score as decided by the judges will become a finalist and your prize is forfeited.
- e) Each of the twelve (12) finalists must choose a song from a list provided by the Station, to perform before a live audience at Short Pump Town Center on Saturday, August 9, 2008 at 5PM. Each finalist will have the option to perform with an acoustic instrument of their choice. In the case of rain the TOP TWELVE event will move to Sunday, August 10, 2008 at Short Pump Town Center at the same time.
- f) A panel of judges will then critique each performance for the benefit of the audience.
- g) Each performance will be judged by the four judges based on the judging criterion set forth in section 3(a), with each judge's vote being worth 20% of the overall decision. From this performance, the audience present will vote by applause, and the audience participation vote will count as the remaining 20% of the overall decision. Each of the votes from the four judges and the audience participation will be totaled for 100% to select one (1) winner.
- h) In the event of a tie, the finalist with the highest score in the open audition competition will be declared the winner.
- i) The winner will be announced live from stage following the TOP TWELVE Performance and vote tally LIVE at Short Pump Town Center on Saturday, August 9, 2008 at approximately 9:00PM, and will also be announced that evening, Saturday August 9 2008, on FOX NEWS AT TEN.
- j) The decisions of the Station and all judges are final. Failure of the finalist to appear on August 9, 2008, will result in disqualification.

4. PRIZES

- a.) Each of the twelve (12) finalists will receive a three month membership to American Family Fitness (retail value \$225), a photo shoot/comp card from Daniel Butler Photography (retail value \$495), a \$100 gift card a retail shop at Short Pump Town Center, a \$50 prize from Clear Channel Radio. The approximate retail value of the finalist prize package is eight hundred seventy dollars (\$870.00).

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- b.) The winner will receive a \$1,000 gift certificate from Short Pump Town Center, a one year single membership to American Family Fitness (retail value \$900), live on air interview on WRVQ, Q-94 and WTVR Lite 98, a \$250 prize from Clear Channel Radio, and a two (2) night, three (3) day trip to East Rutherford, NJ Tuesday, August 19th, 2008 for a guaranteed audition for the American Idol producers. The trip package includes roundtrip airfare, economy class, for two (2) from Richmond, VA to Newark, NJ and two (2) nights hotel accommodations (one room, double occupancy). The trip package does not include any meals, other transportation, gratuities, trip cancellation insurance, or any other expenses. The trip must be taken by August 19, 2008 and is subject to availability, and blackout dates may apply. The guaranteed audition is before an American Idol producer, subject to the American Idol rules located at www.idolonfox.com. The winner is not guaranteed an audition before Simon Cowell, Randy Jackson, or Paula Abdul. The trip must be taken between August 16, 2008 and August 19, 2008. Station and sponsors are not responsible for cancellation of the trip by the winner, or winner's failure to take the trip.
- c.) Each finalist and winner will be required to sign a release and affidavit of eligibility at the time they claim their prize in person within 2 days of notification. If finalist or winner (as applicable) is under 18 years of age, a parent or guardian must sign the release and affidavit of eligibility within two days of notification. If the release and affidavit of eligibility are not returned within a timely manner, then another finalist or winner (as applicable) with the next highest score will be chosen. The winner may be required to sign additional documents as required by American Idol producers.

5. **RULES REQUESTS:** To view the Official Rules send a self-addressed stamped envelope to WRLH, FOX Richmond Idol Rules, PO Box 11169, Richmond, VA 23230 by August 31, 2008.

6. **RULES INTERPRETATION** – All interpretations of the rules and decisions by the Station are final.

- a) Sinclair Television of Charleston, Inc., Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., Sinclair Television Group, Inc., Clear Channel Richmond, American Family Fitness, Short Pump Town Center owned by Forest City Enterprises, Fox Broadcasting Company, News America, Inc., Fox Interactive Media, Freemantle Media North America, Inc., American Idol Productions, Inc., 19 TV Limited, 19 Merchandising Ltd., CKX, Inc., their parent, subsidiary, affiliated and related entities, and the officers, directors, employees, licensees, and assignees of each are not liable if the provider of any part of the prize fails to satisfy its obligations to furnish its portion of the prize.
- b) Sinclair Television of Charleston, Inc., Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., Sinclair Television Group, Inc., Clear Channel Richmond, American Family Fitness, Short Pump Town Center owned by Forest City Enterprises, Fox Broadcasting Company, News America, Inc., Fox Interactive Media, Freemantle Media North America, Inc., American Idol Productions, Inc., 19 TV Limited, 19 Merchandising Ltd., CKX, Inc., their parent, subsidiary, affiliated and related entities, and the officers, directors, employees, licensees, and assignees of each are not responsible for any liabilities arising directly or indirectly from the award or use of the prize.
- c) All eligible participants acknowledge that Sinclair Television of Charleston, Inc., Sinclair Broadcast Group, Inc., Sinclair Television Group, Inc., Clear Channel Richmond, American Family Fitness, Short Pump Town Center owned by Forest City Enterprises, Fox Broadcasting Company, News America, Inc., Fox Interactive Media, Freemantle Media North America, Inc., American Idol Productions, Inc., 19 TV Limited, 19 Merchandising Ltd., CKX, Inc., their parent, subsidiary, affiliated and related entities, and the officers, directors, employees, licensees, and assignees of each their parent, subsidiary, affiliated and related entities, and the officers, directors, employees, licensees and assignees of each have the right to publicize your name, character, likeness, video, photograph, and voice for promotional purposes without financial remuneration.

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- d) Station cannot be held liable for any lost or stolen entries or information.
- e) Station reserves the right to make rule and audition changes, and to change the aforementioned dates, times and/or locations.

LOCAL SPONSOR(S):

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