



Music Vocal (Contemporary)

The art of performing with the human voice rhythmic tones or sounds to produce music with the tones of the present.

Requirements:

1. Only one (1) song is to be performed, and it must not exceed five (5) minutes. Contestants not adhering to the maximum time requirement are subject to disqualification.
2. Musical accompaniment can be provided by the contestant on CD or media player. The music should contain only the instrumental version of the song. Contestants are encouraged to provide a backup.
3. Piano accompaniment is available only if the contestant has provided and brings his/her own sheet music.
4. The material must be memorized.
5. Costumes are not permitted.
6. Microphones are permitted and will be provided.
7. Examples of contemporary music are Broadway, Jazz, R&B, Gospel, Blues, Soul and Country and Western.

Contestants Will Be Judged By The Following Criteria:

- **Choice of Music (15 pts):**
 - a. Matched to vocal ability
- **Interpretation (20 pts):**
 - a. Expression
 - b. Phrasing
 - c. Style
 - d. Tempo
 - e. Arrangement
- **Stage presence (15 pts):**
 - a. Comfort on and control of stage,
 - b. Posture,
 - c. Rapport with audience
- **Technique (25 pts):**
 - a. Breathing
 - b. Posture
 - c. Rhythm
 - d. Accuracy
- **Tone quality (25 pts):**
 - a. Beauty of sound
 - b. Control
 - c. Intonation and Diction