

New Mexico State Fair National Anthem Auditions

All selected participants will perform the National Anthem at the 2023 New Mexico State Fair- **September 7-17, 2023.**

Video Auditions are due on August 7th, 2023.

In-Person Auditions will be held on August 8th from 5:00-8:00pm at the Boxcar Stage on the NMSF Fairgrounds. In case of inclement weather, the auditions will move to an indoor location, TBD.

National Anthem Performers will be selected by the committee on Wednesday, August 9th. Performers will be contacted via email and assigned performance date/times.

ELIGIBILITY:

Individuals or groups (ranging from all ages) can audition. Performing Groups must have 4 or fewer members. Vocal performance is preferred, but instrumental performances will be considered. Individuals under 18 years of age must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian. Performers must be willing and able to perform publicly at the New Mexico State Fair, September 7-17, 2023.

HOW TO ENTER:

Auditionees must fill out an online form at www.exponm.com. The first fifty individuals and/or groups to submit their form will be selected for an audition. In-Person auditions will be notified via email of their audition time.

SELECTION OF PARTICIPANTS:

Judging begins on August 8th, and Final Performers will be selected on August 9th. A panel of judges selected by the NMSF will judge all eligible entries according to the following criteria:

1. Pitch/Melody accuracy.
2. Lyric accuracy.
3. Overall feel, tone, performance

The date in which each individual or group will perform at the New Mexico State Fair is at the sole discretion of the NMSF management and will be coordinated directly with the Final Performers.

The National Anthem is to be performed through traditional singing or instrumental performance. Performers may not utilize props of any kind.

NEW MEXICO STATE FAIR (NMSF):

The National Anthem Audition is sponsored by the New Mexico State Fair. The decisions of the NMSF and the audition judges regarding the selected participants and all other aspects of the audition shall be final and binding in all respects. The NMSF will not be responsible for typographical, printing or other inadvertent errors in these Official Rules or in other materials relating to the audition.

TICKET PROVISIONS:

Selected participants will receive Two (2) tickets each to the New Mexico State Fair in Albuquerque, NM, September 7-17, 2023, on the day for which they are performing at the Rodeo/Concert.

CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION:

As a condition of being selected, each participant will be required to complete a New Mexico State Fair Entertainment Agreement before performing at the NMSF.

Selected participants must complete a signed Entertainer's Agreement and the release form within seven (7) days of notification of status as the selected participants. Inability to reach the performer and make notification may result in disqualification and an alternate performer may be selected. Prizes are non-assignable and non-transferable. No substitutions allowed. NMSF reserves the right to substitute prizes of equal or greater value and cancel public performances.

Prizes won by minors will be awarded to a parent or legal guardian who must sign any release required by the NMSF. By accepting a prize, where permitted by law, selected participants agree and acknowledges (which will be confirmed in writing upon request of NMSF), that the NMSF, without limitation or further compensation, may use his/her name, voice, biographical information, likeness, picture, city name of him/her in any and all media known or hereinafter devised through the universe and in perpetuity, for any purpose including any advertising and promotional purposes.

Entrant agrees to indemnify and hold the New Mexico State Fair and the State of New Mexico, and its commissioners, employees, volunteers, judges, officers and agents, and their respective affiliates, officers, directors, agent and any of their employees (collectively the "indemnities"), harmless from any and all claims, damages, expenses, costs (including reasonable attorneys' fees) and liabilities (including settlements), brought or asserted by any third party against any of the Indemnities due to or arising out of the use of any element of Entrant's Entry, including but not limited to claims for trademark infringement, copyright infringement, violation of an individual's right of publicity or defamation.

Entrant further agrees to release the New Mexico State Fair from any and all claims that any advertising subsequently produced, presented, and/or prepared by or on behalf of the NMSF infringes Entrant's rights with regard to any elements or ideas contained in any element of the Entry.

The electronic acknowledgment of the Rules and Guidelines by the Entrant or his/her legal guardian on the application form will also prevent the Entrant's heirs, assigns, representatives, legal guardians, or any person who may sue on his/her behalf from suing as well.

By participating, entrants agree to be bound by these Official Rules and the decision of the Fair. NMSF reserves the right to disqualify persons found tampering with or otherwise abusing any aspect of this audition as solely determined by NMSF.

NMSF reserves the right in its sole discretion to suspend, modify or terminate the audition. Should the audition be terminated prior to the stated expiration date, NMSF reserves the right to select performers based on the entries received before the termination date.

Each entrant further agrees that if his/her entry is selected by NMSF as a participant, they will sign any additional license or release that the NMSF may require.

SELECTED PARTICIPANT'S NAME/OFFICIAL RULES:

To obtain a copy of these Official Rules, or to be notified of the name of the selected participants, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to:

New Mexico State Fair Attention:
Official Rules/Selected Participants Name
National Anthem Auditions
P.O. Box 8546
Albuquerque, NM 87198