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New Mexico State Fair to Hold National Anthem Auditions

Local singers will be selected to perform the National Anthem at NMSF Rodeo/Concerts

The State Fair is looking for local singers to perform the National Anthem at the rodeo/concerts at Tingley Coliseum during various evenings throughout the fair, which runs September 7-17, 2017. This one of a kind opportunity gives talented New Mexicans the chance to sing the beloved anthem to an audience of thousands at premier Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association events followed by concerts featuring some of the country's best bands.

Individuals and groups (of 5 people or fewer) can apply online at <u>http://statefair.exponm.com/p/getconnected/320</u> for the opportunity to audition. The deadline to apply is Friday, July 21. Auditions will be held in person at the fairgrounds on July 25 at which time a panel of judges will make the final selection based on vocal performance and lyrical accuracy. Eight individuals/groups will be selected as well as two alternates.

All selected participants will receive two admission and rodeo/concert tickets to the 2017 New Mexico State Fair. For more information, log onto <u>www.exponm.com</u>.