



# Texas Association of Fairs and Events

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Showcasing the talent of our association's members to fair, festival and event entertainment buyers has been a long-standing tradition and we are pleased to offer you the opportunity to submit a showcase application for consideration. On January 6-7, 2023, the Texas Association of Fairs and Events (TAF&E) will be hosting their 2023 Convention and Trade Show at the Galveston Island Convention Center in Galveston, Texas.

As in years past, a limited number of stage acts will be selected for the Talent Showcases that will take place during the Friday evening dinner on January 6, the luncheon on Saturday, January 7, and both days during the trade show. With the venue in Galveston, we will have additional opportunities for acts to perform at other events during the weekend thus we encourage these acts to apply.

The Association is interested in providing a diverse showcase that offers entertainment buyers a sampling of all types of entertainment, including bands, strolling performers, variety acts and children's specialties. In a survey of our members, we found that our fairs, festivals and events book a wide variety of acts and look to the showcase to provide them with entertainment options that meet both their need for diversity and their need for varying budgets. It was also reiterated that many of our members also like the opportunity to visit with agents and acts in the trade show even if their acts are not showcasing. The trade show registration is now open and you are encouraged to take advantage of this opportunity to expose your company and/or act to our entire membership in a more personal setting.

To submit an act for consideration in one of our Talent Showcases, please complete the enclosed application form along with the requested materials.

The deadline for submitting materials for consideration in any or all of the showcase options is 5 p.m. CST on **Friday, October 14, 2022**. Materials received after that deadline will **not** be considered.

To submit acts for consideration you must be a current TAFE associate member. If you currently are not a member of TAF&E, you may still send in materials for consideration; however, you must submit online membership (see website – [www.texasfairs.com](http://www.texasfairs.com)) simultaneously.

If you have any questions, please call TAF&E Executive Director, Chris Shivers, at 830/990-1332.

Sincerely,

**Chris Boleman**

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TAF&E Talent Showcase Chair

