

APPALACHIAN FAIR FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

2023 theme: 'Homegrown Traditions'

GRAY Community - The Appalachian Fair's Museum Stage hosts several competitions throughout the week of the fair.

Monday night, August 21 will open with the crowning of the 2023 Fairest of the Fair. The pageant will begin at 7pm that evening, with a host of beautiful young ladies competing for the title of Miss Appalachian Fair Fairest of the Fair. Applications will be accepted until August $10^{\rm th}$. The winner will receive a \$2,500 scholarship award following her year as the Fairest of the Fair. She will represent the Appalachian Fair in Tennessee's Fairest of the Fair held in Murfreesboro in January 2024. The current reigning Fairest of the Fair is Mattie Roark of Gray.

Tuesday night, August 22 will see the 27^{th} Year of the Little Miss Contest held here at the Appalachian Fair on the Museum stage beginning at 6pm. Young girls will compete in five (5) age divisions for the titles of: Wee Miss – Division I / 2-3 years old; Tiny Miss – Division II / 4-6 years old; Little Miss – Division III / 7-9 years old; Little Miss Pre-Teen – Division IV / 10-12 years old; and Teen Miss – Division V / 13-15 years old. Entry deadline is August 10^{th} .

Wednesday night, August 23 – 'So You Think You Can Dance?' Competition will host Dance Companies and Solo Dancers of all ages, competing for cash prizes beginning at 7pm. The 1^{st} place winner will receive a \$500 cash award, 2^{nd} place - \$250, and 3^{rd} place - \$100. Entry deadline is August 11^{th} .

Thursday night, August 24-2023 Youth Talent Contest will be held at 7pm. This contest is open to amateurs between the ages of 13-21. Deadline for entry is August 7th. The 1st place winner will receive a \$500 cash award, 2nd place - \$300, and 3rd place - \$200.

Friday night at 7pm, August 25, the Museum Stage will see the debut of the Appalachian Fair Family Face-off Contest! Gather your family team of 5 to compete in this fun game night. Winners will receive 1st Place - \$500, 2nd Place - \$250, and 3rd place - \$100.

Saturday night, August 26 will see the return of Appalachian Fair's Got Talent Competition. Cash prizes will be award. 1st Place winners will receive \$500, 2nd Place - \$250, and 3rd place - \$100. Entry deadline is August 11th.

For more information go to www.appalachianfair.com