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## Nebraska State Fair and Vision Productions, Inc. Present the 6th Annual GALAXY OF STARS® Talent Search

"Shine Like the Star You Are"

## VOCALISTS \* DANCERS \* INSTRUMENTALISTS \* VARIETY ACTS \* SONGWRITERS

All Ages to compete for over \$5,000.00 in prizes, recording sessions, trophies and cash at the Nebraska State Fair Galaxy of Stars® Talent Search at the Fonner Park Bristol Windows Stage in Grand Island. A Preliminary Mail-In Video Contest will determine the qualifying contestants advancing to the Nebraska State Fair Galaxy of Stars® Talent Search one day competition on Saturday, September 4<sup>th</sup>, 1:00 PM - 5:00 PM.

The 2010 GALAXY OF STARS® Talent Search is open to Nebraska Residents only. Contestants competing at the Nebraska State Fair Galaxy of Stars® Talent Search will be selected from the Galaxy of Stars® Talent Search Mail-In Video Contest. All Video Contest and Songwriting Contest entries will be judged by professionals in the music industry in Nashville, Tennessee. The Entry Fee is \$35.00 for each video performance and original song submitted. Mail all entries to Galaxy of Stars, P.O. Box 3566, Brentwood, TN 37024-3566. All entries must be received on or before July 15<sup>th</sup>.

Video Contestants enter in one of Three Age Divisions: Comets (12 & Under), Shooting Stars (13 to 18) and Novas (19 & Over) and compete in their age division against all individual and group talent (vocal, dance, instrumental and variety). A video (DVD or VHS) can be made with a digital or video camera. Talent and quality of performance is emphasized, *not* the highest quality of recording. The Galaxy of Stars® Songwriting Contest is open to all ages; songwriters do not compete in an age division. Songwriters submit a CD or Cassette. All required entry forms can be downloaded at <a href="www.galaxyofstarstalentsearch.com">www.galaxyofstarstalentsearch.com</a>. Qualifying Video contestants advance and are selected according to a rank of the highest performance scores in Three Age Divisions. A minimum of 20 qualified Video contestants will advance to the Nebraska State Fair competition. Prizes, Recording Sessions, Trophies & Cash will be awarded at the end of the competition.

Songwriter winners are selected from the Mail-In Songwriting Contest according to a rank of the highest scoring songs. The top 3 songwriters will showcase their songs at the Nebraska State Fair Galaxy of Stars® Talent Search competition. The top 3 songwriters will be announced and receive their awards during the Awards Ceremony.

Video contestants advancing to the Nebraska State Fair competition and the Top 3 Songwriters will be listed by August 1st on the Galaxy of Stars® website.

The 2010 Nebraska State Fair opens August 27 and will run through Labor Day, September 6. For more information on the State Fair visit www.statefair.org.