



Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent Auditions – Application Form

On behalf of the Mississauga Tamil Association's Positive Youth Development Committee, we thank you for your interest in auditioning to perform for **Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent – Season 2**.

The purpose of Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent is to discover and promote talented and motivated youth and provide an appropriate and competitive forum for the display of their talents. This will involve building the self-esteem and confidence in youth. Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent is not an event intended to promote any particular art form, language, culture, or religion. Please note the contestants of Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent will solely be judged, based on their talent including the following criteria: i) Quality of Performance ii) Stage Presence and iii) Appropriateness of Dress or Costume.

Contest Rules and Regulations

ELIGIBILITY TO PARTICIPATE:

- Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent is open to any resident of the city of Mississauga between the ages of 5 and 30 on June 2, 2019 and who is of Tamil origin.
- For group contestants, at least one member of the group must be a resident of the city of Mississauga and be of Tamil origin.
- Contestants who are residents of the city of Mississauga must provide identification on the day of the audition and final to confirm their primary address.
- The 1st prize winners from Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent – Season 1, will not be permitted to participate as contestants in Season 2.
- Contestants under the age of 18 require parents or legal guardians consent to participate.
- Parents or legal guardians are responsible for the contestants who are under the age of 18 and must accompany the contestants to the audition and final venue, but will not be allowed inside the audition room and on or behind the stage.
- No contestants under the age of 18 may be "dropped off" or left unaccompanied at any time.
- Parents or legal guardians must bring documentations to prove their own identity.
- All contestants must bring documentation to prove their residency, Date of Birth and identity (e.g. photo ID) to the audition and final. To prove this requirement, contestants may use multiple forms of documentation if needed.
- All contestants must sign the liability release and publicity waiver form and agree to all Contest Rules and Regulations. Contestants who are under the age of 18 should also have their parent/legal guardian sign the liability release and publicity waiver form and agree to all Contest Rules and Regulations.
- Audition performances for both individual and group participants **must be between 1-3 minutes**.
- If selected, final performances for both individual and group participants **cannot exceed 10 minutes**. Selected finalists **must** send their final music (if applicable) to **pydcmta@gmail.com** no later than one week prior to the final event.
- All performances (themes) must be suitable for a family audience and must not contain profanity, nudity or any suggestive lyrics or actions and must be culturally appropriate and not perpetuate any stereotypes or discriminations.

- Acts employing the use of any weapons (or replica weapons) or pyrotechnics, open flames or any other dangerous additions are ineligible for this contest.
- No smoking or the drinking of alcoholic beverages are allowed on the stage or at the event.
- No pets, other than assistance dogs, are allowed.
- No items may be tossed or handed out to the audience.
- No banners or themes that are commercial, political, or controversial may be displayed.
- No alcohol, tobacco, or drug advertisements are to be shown on any clothing.
- No profanity, nudity, stereotypical, culturally inappropriate, discriminatory images and or text are to be shown on any clothing.
- Only limited audio/visual equipment (sound, microphones, a CD player, and a laptop) are available. Contestants are responsible for providing all other equipment needed.
- All results are final and at the discretion of the judges. Any interference in the judging process **will not** be tolerated and will result in **immediate** disqualification. Members of Mississauga Tamil Association (MTA) and the Positive Youth Development Committee (PYDC) will not be responsible for the results of the auditions and final event of Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent – Season 2.

Failure to abide by any of the guidelines above will result in disqualification from the auditions and the final event of Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent – Season 2.

PROCEDURES:

Step 1: Application (Due Sunday, May 26th, 2019)

- The attached application form must be completed and signed by the contestant and by the contestant's parent/legal guardian if the contestant is under the age of 18.
- The completed form must be e-mailed to **pydcmta@gmail.com** by **May 26th, 2019**. Please ensure that the information included on the form is legible and clear.
- The contestants must **also** print out the completed application and bring it to the audition on **June 2nd, 2019** along with the \$10.00 application fee for individual participants **or** \$5.00 application fee per member for group participants. Please note that only participants present at the auditions will be allowed to perform at the final event if selected. For example, accompanying instrumentalists for solo performers must also pay fees and attend the auditions. **All fees are non-refundable.**

Step 2: Audition (Sunday, June 2nd, 2019 – Mississauga Secondary School)

- All applicants will be contacted for an assigned audition time via e-mail.
- All contestants must bring documentation to prove their residency, Date of Birth and identity (e.g. photo ID) to the audition. To prove this requirement, contestants may use multiple forms of documentation if needed.
- Audition performances for both individual and group participants **must be between 1-3 minutes.**
- Only selected participants from the auditions on **June 2nd, 2019** will participate in the final event. The details of the final event of Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent will be provided to the selected participants via e-mail. Participants who are not selected will also be informed via e-mail.

Step 3: Final (Sunday, June 30th, 2019 – Meadowvale Theatre)

- The final event of Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent will be held on Sunday, June 30th, 2019 at Meadowvale Theatre. Further details will be communicated to finalists via e-mail.
- All contestants must bring documentation to prove their residency, Date of Birth and identity (e.g. photo ID) to the final. To prove this requirement, contestants may use multiple forms of documentation if needed.
- If selected, final performances for both individual and group participants **cannot exceed 10 minutes**. Selected finalists **must** send their final music (if applicable) to **pydcmta@gmail.com** no later than **Sunday, June 23rd, 2019**.
- Please note that the audition performance cannot be repeated for the finals.

JUDGING:

- Members of the judging panel will be selected at the sole and absolute discretion of Mississauga Tamil Association and the Positive Youth Development Committee.
- Contestants will be judged on i) Quality of Performance ii) Stage Presence and iii) Appropriateness of Dress or Costume.
- Judges will break all ties if necessary.
- Score sheets will not be available for review.
- All decisions of the judges are final.

LIABILITY RELEASE & PUBLICITY WAIVER FORM

I _____
(hereinafter also called "the Contestant"), acknowledge compliance with, and agree to be bound by, the **Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent – Season 2** (hereinafter called "Contest") contest Rules and Regulations (which may be amended or varied at any time without notice), and the following:

- 1) I agree, on behalf of myself, or as parent or legal guardian of the minor Contestant, to indemnify, save harmless and release the organizers (Mississauga Tamil Association, Positive Youth Development Committee), or anyone who is associated with them in anyway from and against any forms of liabilities which the Contestant or anyone who is associated with contestant in anyway may suffer or incur as a result of the Contestant's participation in the Contest.
- 2). I agree that the time, manner, and method of determination of the winner of the Contest, shall solely be within the discretion of the organizers, and the organizers reserve the right to substitute any and all prizes. The prizes for Group contestants will be equally divided and presented by the organizers. Also any prize won by a contestant who is under 18, will be awarded in the name of the Parent or Legal Guardian.
- 3). I understand that this Contest is an entertainment-focused event. In addition, the organizers reserve the right of final decision on any matters pertaining to Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent – Season 2, that are not covered by the stated contest Rules and Regulations. This includes disqualifying any individual who is found to have tampered in any way with the operation of the Contest, and/or the right to cancel or suspend the Contest without any prior notice.
- 4) I agree to participate in any promotional activities arranged by the organizers and to obey the reasonable and lawful directions of the organizers. I am responsible for my own expenses as they result in my participation in the Contest.
- 5) I agree to have photo or video of me taken at my participation at this Contest and to be used by the organizers or by any media outlets at any platform, for the purpose of any of their promotional reasons. Additionally, I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising or related to the use of the photographs or video footage. I agree that these materials will become the property of the Mississauga Tamil Association and the Positive Youth Development Committee.
- 6) I agree to the collection, use and distribution of my personal information, by the Organizers for the purposes of implementing, administering and fulfilling this Contest.

I hereby certify that I have read, understood and agree to comply and abide by the **Contest Rules and Regulations** and the **Liability Release and Publicity Waivers Form**, of Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent- Season 2.
AGREED TO AND ACCEPTED this _____ day of _____, 20_____.

(Contestant Signature)

(Witness Signature)

Contestant Name:

Witness Name:

Parent/Legal Guardian consent required below if the Contestant is UNDER 18 years of age:

I/We _____
hereby certify that I am/we are the parent or legal guardian of the Contestant,

In addition, do hereby give my/our consent to the person named above, to participate and agree to make sure that the contestant is complying with the **Contest Rules and Regulations** and the **Liability Release and Publicity Waiver Form** requirements for the **Mississauga's Tamils Got Talent – Season 2**.

(Parent or Legal Guardian Signature)

(Witness Signature)

Name:

Witness Name:

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Contestant Information:

Please check **one** of the following:

- Individual Contestant
- Group Contestant

Please check **one** of the following age groups that you will be competing in:

- 5-15
- 16-30

Contestant Information (to be completed by all individual contestants or Mississauga resident for group contestants):			
Last Name		First Name	
Residential Address			
City, Province		Postal Code	
Home Phone Number	Mobile Number	E-mail Address	
Date of Birth	Age	Gender	

***All group contestants must be listed on the next page**

PERFORMANCE INFORMATION

Performance Title	
Type of Performance (Please specify the talent that will be performed at the audition):	Duration of Audition (must be under 3 minutes):

I have read the Contest Rules and Regulations and completed Liability Release and Publicity Waivers Form. YES NO

I certify that all information given by the Contestant and by me is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.	
Signature: _____	Date: _____
Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian if contestant is below the age of 18:	
Signature: _____	Date: _____

