

# CANINE COSTUME COMPETITION

**Saturday, August 6, 2022, from 4-6:00 p.m.  
at the Park Pavilion Stage, Washington County Fair!!!**

This will be a two-part Competition with prizes given to FIRST, SECOND, and THIRD Place Winners in each of the Two Entry Categories:

1. Costumed Canines with their Look-Alike/Same-Themed Handlers
2. Talented Costumed Canines

**PRIZES FOR EACH CATEGORY: 1ST PLACE: \$150 2ND PLACE: \$100 3RD PLACE \$50**

## CANINE COSTUME COMPETITION RULES AND OTHER INFORMATION:

- Canines and their Handlers must **BOTH** reside in Washington County, Minnesota.
- **PRE-REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED BY JULY 13<sup>th</sup>**. The number of entries for both Categories will be limited.
- **CATEGORY 1:** Please submit your completed Registration Form, signed Release Form, and a brief Canine's Description to: [countyfaircontest@gmail.com](mailto:countyfaircontest@gmail.com) **NO LATER than July 13<sup>th</sup>**.
- **CATEGORY 2: ADVANCED AUDITIONS** are required in order to showcase the best talent in Category 2. Please submit a video clip of your canine performing their talent(s), completed Registration Form, signed Release Form, and a brief Canine's Description to [countyfaircontest@gmail.com](mailto:countyfaircontest@gmail.com) **NO LATER than July 13<sup>th</sup>** for pre-judging. \*Costumes are not recommended for this video submission. \*Contestants will be notified by July 20<sup>th</sup> whether they have been selected to participate in the live Competition at the Fair on August 6<sup>th</sup>.
- Each Canine/Handler may enter only one Category. Once registered, Contestants cannot change Categories.

## EVENT REQUIREMENTS:

- **MANDATORY REHEARSAL:** Because a runway is involved, a mandatory rehearsal will be held on Friday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 6:00 p.m., at the Park Pavilion on the Washington County Fairgrounds.
- **COMPETITION CHECK IN:** On Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup>, Contestants must check in at 3:00 p.m. Then you are free to roam the Fair until 3:50 p.m.
- Each Contestant will be introduced individually by the Master of Canine Ceremonies using information on the Registration Form and the Canine's Description (which may have been edited as needed).
- Upon introduction, the Contestant and Handler will walk down the runway while the Master of Canine Ceremonies reads the Canine Description. The Contestant and Handler will engage the audience as they do their runway walk to music.
- After the last Contestant has completed the runway walk, the entire line of Contestants will walk back onto the stage for a final appearance!
- Contestants will be scored on CREATIVITY, ARTISTRY, USE OF COSTUME MATERIALS, STAGE PRESENCE, AUTHENTICITY, and other aspects. **SO HAVE FUN AND BRING YOUR BEST TO THE COMPETITION!**



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## REGISTRATION FORM

CATEGORY: (SELECT ONE)  CANINE/HANDLER IN LOOK-ALIKE/THEMED COSTUMES  TALENTED COSTUMED CANINE

HANDLER NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

CANINE NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BREED: \_\_\_\_\_

STREET ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

**\* BOTH CANINE AND HANDLER MUST RESIDE IN WASHINGTON COUNTY, MINNESOTA.**

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

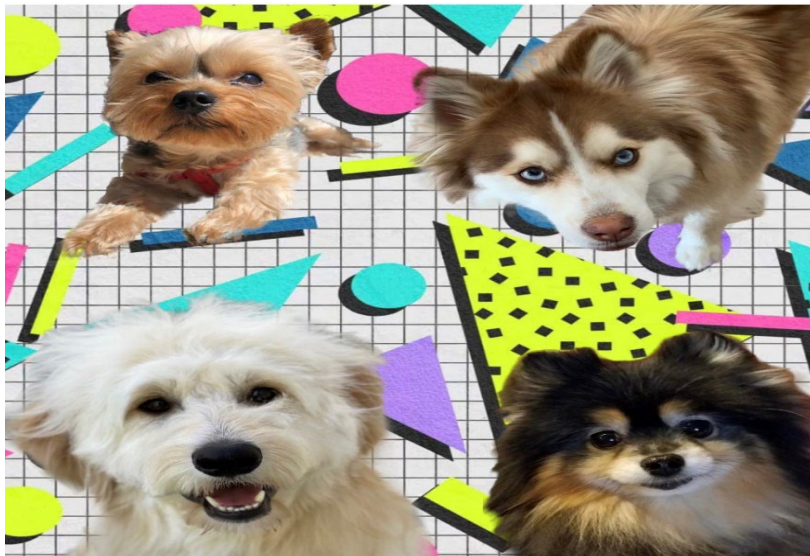
**CANINE'S DESCRIPTION:** PLEASE PROVIDE A SHORT CANINE'S DESCRIPTION. INCLUDE NAME, BREED, AGE, DIET, PERSONALITY, HOBBIES OR SPECIAL POWERS, FAVORITE PASTIMES, TREATS, AND OTHER DEFINING CHARACTERISTICS. HAVE FUN WITH IT! DESCRIPTION WILL BE USED ON STAGE TO PRESENT YOUR CANINE TO THE JUDGES AND THE AUDIENCE WHILE YOU SHOWCASE YOUR CANINE AS YOU LEAD THEM DOWN THE RUNWAY TO MUSIC!

**ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED AT [COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM](mailto:COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM) BY: JULY 13<sup>th</sup>**

**CATEGORY 1: "CANINES/HANDLERS IN LOOK-ALIKE/THEMED COSTUMES"** – PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM, SIGNED COMPETITION RELEASE FORM, AND A BRIEF CANINE'S DESCRIPTION TO: [COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM](mailto:COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM) NO LATER THAN JULY 13<sup>th</sup>.

**CATEGORY 2: "TALENTED COSTUMED CANINES"** - CREATE A VIDEO OF YOUR CANINE PERFORMING THEIR SPECIAL TALENT AND SUBMIT IT ALONG WITH YOUR COMPLETED REGISTRATION FORM, COMPETITION RELEASE FORM, AND A BRIEF CANINE'S DESCRIPTION TO: [COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM](mailto:COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM) NO LATER THAN JULY 13<sup>th</sup>. \*COSTUMES ARE NOT RECOMMENDED FOR THE AUDITION VIDEOS\*

- CONTESTANTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY JULY 20<sup>th</sup> WHETHER THEY HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE LIVE COMPETITION AT THE FAIR ON AUGUST 6<sup>th</sup>.
- **MANDATORY REHEARSAL:** BECAUSE A RUNWAY IS INVOLVED, A MANDATORY REHEARSAL WILL BE HELD ON FRIDAY, JULY 22<sup>nd</sup>, AT 6:00 P.M., AT THE PARK PAVILION ON THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS.
- **COMPETITION CHECK-IN** IS REQUIRED ON AUG. 6<sup>th</sup>, AT 3:00 P.M., AT THE PARK PAVILION ON THE FAIRGROUNDS.



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## RELEASE FORM

I, (print first and last name) \_\_\_\_\_, and my Canine Contestant do **BOTH** reside in Washington County, Minnesota.

I am over the age of 18, (or if under the age of 18, through my natural parent or legal guardian), hereby agree that I have been informed of or am aware of the risks involved in participating in the Washington County Fair 2022 Canine Costume Competition.

I have sufficient skills and experience to participate in the abovementioned activity without causing injury to myself or other participants, human and canine. I agree to use due care while engaging in the abovementioned activity including but not limited to risks arising from the negligent acts or omissions of any person, persons, or canines, including the employees, officers and/or agents of the Washington County Fair. I agree to relieve and release the Washington County Fair, its employees, officers, and agents, and all event Staff and sponsors, from all liability for any loss, damage, or injury, whether to person, canine, or property, which I may suffer while engaging in the abovementioned activity. I expressly give permission to the Washington County Fair to use any photographs of me, my canine, our images, or my works produced or created during my participation in or for the abovementioned activity, and give permission for duplication, reproduction, or distribution solely at the discretion of the Washington County Fair without further permission, royalty or compensation.

Signature of Human Contestant/Canine Handler \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

If under 18 years of age, include: Printed First/Last Name of Human Contestant/Canine Handler's Parent/Guardian:

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Human Contestant/Canine Handler Parent or Guardian \_\_\_\_\_

Email to: [COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM](mailto:COUNTYFAIRCONTEST@GMAIL.COM) with Registration Form and Video (if required) NO LATER THAN July 13<sup>th</sup>.

