

FMKidz KNECT Jr. Talent Information:

Jr. Talent Categories:

FMKidz KNECT will be responsible for the entry fees of group entries that are highlighted. All individual entry fees and entry cost are the responsibility of the Parent/Guardian. All entries must be signed off by Pastor April and the leading Division Mentor.

Art Division: These entries are all individual entries

- **Ceramics:** Any handmade piece utilizing slab, coil, slip cast, press mould, sand cast, wheel thrown, or any combination of the processes.
- **Computer Graphics:** Any digital file created for the purpose of reproduction in print media (printing press or digital printers)
- **Graphics:** Any reproducible image created using processes such as – etching, engraving, woodcut, linocut, silkscreen, lithograph, mono print, electronic imaging and any combination of these or similar processes.
- **Drawing:** Any dry media such as pencil, pastel, crayon, oil pastel, conte crayon, charcoal, pen, brush and ink, or any combination of these.
- **Oil/Acrylic Painting:** Any oil based, synthetic based (such as acrylic or polymer) or egg tempera, or any combination of these.
- **Wet Media Painting:** Any transparent watercolor, opaque watercolor (gouache), water based tempera or any combination of these.
- **Photography:** Any photographic image or montage produced on a light sensitive film or paper. Entry must be a minimum of 8"x10". (Processing may be done commercially or by the participant. Choice of processing will not affect scoring)
- **Sculpture:** Any three-dimensional or relief (two-dimensional) object made of metal, wood, paper mache, plaster, stone, plastic, ceramic, glass or any combination of these or other suitable materials.
- **Textiles:** Any batik, weaving, tie dye, stitchery, macrame, applique, or any combination of these used as an art form.
- **Mixed Media:** Any piece of art that incorporates two or more of the above categories, where the media are distinct in nature but used to create a single work of art.
- **Coloring:** Coloring of a picture that is already drawn, but not by the participant. Pages out of coloring books will be accepted. Coloring can be done using any combination of colored pencils, crayons, or paints.

Bible Division: Entries in this category are both individual and group entries

- **Bible Story Telling:** A participant presents a story directly from the Bible which was prepared without the assistance of others. The participant may use costuming or handheld props to illustrate the story. The story must be no less than five (5) minutes and no more than eight (8) minutes.
- **Solo Bible Quizzing:** Individual Bible Quiz designed to develop Scriptural memorization skills, quick recall, and accurate response. Study Guide will be the same as used for Team Bible Quizzing.
- **Team Bible Quizzing:** Team consist of three (3) to five (5) with three being the starting quizzers and two substitutes.

Drama Division: Entries in this category are both individual and group entries

- **Monologue:** Dramatic presentation by one person utilizing the spoken word. The selection should be no less than three minutes and not more than seven. Minimal hand props (chair, stool, table, hat, cane, etc) and costumes may be used by the performer, but no scenery will be allowed.
- **Group Skit:** Dramatic presentation by two or more people utilizing dialogue. This will be an auditioned entry.
- **Solo Mime:** Piece performed with makeup and with gloves that does not mouth the words. Entries should be 3-7 minutes in length.
- **Group Mime:** Performed by two or more persons with gloves that does not mouth the words. This will be an auditioned entry.
- **Solo Human Video:** A piece that is performed by one person, to music with word. No make up is to be used and no mouthing of the words. If the music is removed, the story line could still be understood. Entries must be 2 ½ - 7 minutes.
- **Group Human Video:** Piece performed by several persons with music. The piece is performed in such a manner that if the music were removed you could understand the story line by the action of the characters.
- **Group Pantomime:** Piece performed by several persons, to music with words. The story is told symbolically through the combination of visualization and characterization.
- **Solo Pantomime:** Piece performed by one person to music with words. In pantomime, there is expressive movement, a blending of music and mime with some sort of creative movement. The performance may include the use of sticks, symbolic movement, blocking, flags, banners, sign-language and any combination thereof.

- **Group Synchronized Movement:** An up tempo piece performed by several persons with or without words. There is an upbeat expressive movement that is unified.
- **Solo Expressive Movement:** Expressive/Interpretive Movement is a slower tempo, worshipful piece that may or may not be synchronized. Movement should be 2 ½ - 7 minutes in length.
- **Group Expressive Movement:** Expressive/Interpretive Movement is a slower tempo, worshipful piece that may or may not be synchronized and must be performed by two or more individuals.

Music Division: Entries in this category are both individual and group entries

- **Vocal Solo**
 - Male/Female
 - Christian Rap
- **Vocal Ensemble:** This is an auditioned group.
 - Small (2-5 Singers)
 - Large (6-12 Singers)
- **Choir:** We encourage all Jr. Talent participants to be part of this category.
 - Small (13-30 Singers)
 - Large (31+ Singers)
- **Instrumental Solo**
 - Electronic Keyboard
 - Strings
 - Bowed
 - Plucked
 - Woodwind
 - Brass
 - Percussion
- **Instrumental Ensemble:**
 - Small (2-8 Players)
 - Large (9+ Players)

Jr. Talent Participation Information/Guidelines:

- Jr. Talent will be held on February 26th – 27th, 2016. All participants must be no younger than seven (7) years of age and no older than twelve (12) during State competition. All individuals must be a regular attendee of the Church of God in South Carolina.
- All individual entry fees, forms, costs and deadlines are the responsibility of the parent/guardian. Currently entry fees are \$20 per individual category. Please note that once we receive information from the state that this amount could go up. Each individual entry must be signed off by Pastor April and the Division Mentor.
- Children participating in Jr. Talent are encouraged to participate in the Choir. This will give a good representation of our FMKidz.
- Each group participant must participate in a Fundraiser to help with cost of T-shirts, costumes and other items needed for the groups. Fundraiser information will come at a later date.
- Children participating in any group entries must sign up no later than Tuesday, September 1, 2015 in order to begin practices at our FMKidz KNECT Fine Arts Kick off. You may sign up at www.fmcog.com, under the upcoming events tab. We ask that you pick your top three choices. Those wanting to enter more than three group categories, must see Pastor April for approval.
- Children participating in any individual entries that would like special coaching, need to sign up at www.fmcog.com, under the upcoming events tab. This will let us know what additional classes we will need to prepare for.
- Practice begins on Wednesday, September 2nd. Group categories will be in a rotation and practiced on Wednesday nights from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. and Sunday mornings at 10:00 a.m. Once we see the interest expressed in group entries, we will let you know the rotation schedule.
- Staying committed to practices is a must. We have a very limited time and weeks to practice. When one member of the team is not present, it can throw off other members. Therefore, all group participants must miss no more than two practices. Once the third practice is missed, you will need to meet with Pastor April and your child may be asked to step down from the team.
- Additional practices will be held closer to the time of competition, should we need them. A schedule will be given as early as possible.
- Special coaching spaces are available with our division mentors. Please note that this space is limited and is on a first come, first serve basis.

- All participants must participate in a Jr. Talent Showcase prior to the Jr. Talent competition. All entries, individual and group, must be completed by this day. Time to be announced as we get closer.
- Parents/Guardians must travel to Jr. Talent with your child(ren) and is responsible at all times for making sure they are where they need to be for the competition. It is important to take snacks/drinks and prepare accordingly for lunch.
- Parents/Guardians may choose to stay overnight at area hotels. This is the responsibility of the parent/guardian. It is important to book your rooms ahead of time. Suggested places of stay:
 - Hampton Inn Woodruff Road Greenville (864)213-8200
 - Holiday Inn Express Hotel & Suites Greenville (864)678-5555
- Pastor April's contact information is as follows:
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