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Registration opens for Lamorinda Idol 2021

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Young singers may register to compete in the Lamorinda Idol 2021 competition until April 30. The competition, once again, will be virtual, owing to the COVID-19 pandemic, with contestants submitting video performances.

Established in 2006, Lamorinda Idol is a singing program open to students in kindergarten through 12th grade who either attend school or reside in Contra Costa County. Singers may enter as soloists or in groups. Students from outside Contra Costa County are permitted to participate in the group categories, provided that at least one member of the group meets the residential requirement.

Audition videos will be due May 15 and finalists will be announced June 1. Finalists will submit their final performance videos by July 31, and the winners of the competition will be announced Aug. 15.

After singers submit their videos, judges will select finalists and then winners in each category who will receive cash prizes. Singers can compete as soloists or as groups in seven categories: K-2nd grade soloists, 3rd-5th grade soloists, K-5th grade groups, 6th-8th grade soloists and groups, 9th-12th grade soloists and groups.

Videos of past winners' performances can be accessed from the Lamorinda Arts Council website, https://lamorindaarts.org/idol-past-winners/

Participants' Information Packet for Lamorinda Idol 2021 is available online at https://lamorindaarts.org/lamorinda-idol-audition-information/ Questions may be sent to idol@lamorindaarts.org.

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