



**Jackson Medical Mall Foundation's
SING! Jackson Competition and Showcase
Audition Guidelines**

SING! Jackson Competition and Showcase seeks to "**Discover, Develop and Display**" the best young talent in the Jackson Metro Area!

This event is a part of a broader youth-centered community arts initiative where the ultimate mission is to: **Develop Gifts, Transform Lives and Heal Communities.**

Who is eligible? Students who attend public or private schools in the Jackson Metropolitan Area who fall within the age categories listed below are eligible to participate. This area includes: Copiah, Hinds, Madison, Rankin, and Simpson counties. However, we welcome students outside of the target area.

Age Categories

- Ages 10 – 13
- Ages 14 – 18

Type of music: Your song selection may come from any genre of music. However please note that all lyrics and subject matter must be appropriate!

Dress: All participants must dress accordingly for ALL phases of the competition. Please be advised that appearance/attire is one of the categories that you will be judged on. "Business casual" is recommended (the type of attire usually worn to interviews). The following are prohibited: shorts, sweats, hats, sagging pants, excessively tight or short clothing, skin-baring tops, t-shirts, jeans with holes.

Time limit for audition: Each contestant will be allotted a maximum of **two-and-a-half mins.**

Musical Accompaniment

For Auditions: You may use a track or you may choose to perform *acapella*. If you wish to use an accompaniment track, it must be instrumental music. For the *Live Auditions*, you may use your phone, iPad or other device to play an accompaniment track. We will provide the necessary connection. The track must ready to play upon entry.

For Showcase: All tracks must be submitted online prior to the event (MP3 or .wav format), or you may choose to be accompanied by our professional House Band.

Performances will be judged based on the following categories:

- Attire/Appearance
- Stage Presence/ Showmanship
- Originality/Creativity
- Musicianship/Skill Level
- Overall Performance

SING! Jackson Schedule

Live Auditions

Friday, May 18 @ 5pm - 8pm
Location: Jackson Medical Mall
Dr. Ollye Shirley media Room

Video Auditions

Submit a video (or video link) to singjxn@jacksonmedicalmall.org by May 18th
Video should not exceed 2 mins

Sign up today at singjxn@jacksonmedicalmall.org to reserve your spot! Registration deadline is May 18th for both live and video auditions.

****All Showcase FINALISTS will be notified via email and/or phone call by Friday, May 25, 2018 @ 5pm.***

SING! Jackson Showcase Finale: TBA

Jackson Medical Mall
Center Stage,
350 W. Woodrow Wilson Ave,
Jackson, MS 39213.

Showcase Guidelines

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners will be determined in each of the two categories (10 – 13, 14 – 18).
- There will be five judges for the showcase.
- All judges' decisions are final, and scores will not be released to contestants or the public.

- Organizers reserve the right of final decision on any matters pertaining to this event not covered by the rules.
- The organizers shall have sole authority in scheduling participants, as well as control over stage sets, equipment, sound, lights, power and overall (master) volume.

For more info call the Jackson Medical Mall Foundation at (601) 982-8467, or email singjxn@jacksonmedicalmall.org

The event is free to the public but participants are encouraged to invite at least 10 people. There will be special incentives for bringing guests.