Guidelines for 4-H Day

Event: Solo or Duo Novelty Performances

Objective(s): This is a miscellaneous grouping that may include novelty acts such as musical freestyle with dog(s), stunts, pantomime, puppets, marionettes, magic routines, ventriloquist acts, baton routines, gymnastic routines, folk music without a score, stand-up comedy, or other types of talent or original material.

Time Limit:
1. 10 minutes maximum, including set up, tear down, and introduction.
2. Judge will deduct one ribbon placing if time is exceeded; 30-second grace period.
3. Judge will serve as time keeper.

Equipment and/or Facilities Provided by Event Monitors:
1. Performance area may have any kind of surface and should be large enough for up to 30 people such as a stage or gym floor. Not all performances will be on stages.
2. Participant will be provided a table and two chairs which can be used as a set.

Equipment Provided by Participants:
1. Each individual doing the other theatrical performances will be responsible for all props and effects.
2. Performers should bring any necessary props for their performance.

Guidelines:
1. Individual performance only.
2. Animals do not count toward number of performers: one youth and one dog equals one performer.
3. There will be the following divisions:
   - Junior: ages 7-9
   - Intermediate: ages 10-13
   - Senior: ages 14-18
4. Performer should introduce themselves and their 4-H club and include a brief description of the performance.
5. Costumes are optional.
6. This area is for all other theatrical performances that are not included in another category including performing with animals.
7. Performers should recognize this is a family event and choose costumes, themes, and performances that show respect for both the performers and the audience.

Resources: Resources that may be used in planning this event include:

Your talent coach
Internet search using the name of your talent
Older youth who share your talent
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Solo or Duo Novelty Performances Score Sheet

County (circle one):  LN  MI

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4-H Age(s):  
Junior (7-9) Intermediate (10-13) Senior (14-18)  
Years in 4-H:  
Event Time Limit: 10 Minutes

Selection Title:  
Event Actual Time:_______

Type of Talent:

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Penalty:  
___Exceeds time (30-second grace period) = reduction by one ribbon

Circle ONE  
Top Purple*  Alternate Top Purple*  Purple  Blue  Red  White

*Top Purple and Alternate Top Purple are only used at County or District 4-H Day.

Reason for Ranking and other Comments: (Use back of sheet for additional comments.)

Judges initials: _____