

Small Stage Showcase Application

February 3rd - 5th, 2017

Ramada Conference Center

Edmonton, AB



November 5th, 2016

Re: 2017 Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies (AAAS)
Annual Convention & Tradeshow
February 3rd - 5th, 2017
Ramada Conference Center
11834 Kingsway Avenue NW Edmonton, AB

The Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies would like to invite you to participate in the *2017 Annual AAAS Convention & Tradeshow* February 3 - 5, 2017.

Participation in the convention provides artists and/or entertainers exposure and booking opportunities to over 500 convention delegates representing approximately 120 Agricultural Societies and the many events they hold throughout Alberta. Delegates attending the convention are board members, volunteers and community leaders who are key influencer's and decision makers.

Selected Acts will be provided with space to display your communication materials and will receive additional exposure in the delegate package.

Please submit your Showcase Application as soon as possible, all Applications **must be received by January 9, 2017**. To ensure fair consideration, it is important that all of the materials requested are included with your application.

Please Note: There are 2 stages - each with their own application form. Main stage acts will be selected prior to the Small Stage acts being juried. The Main stage is located in the main plenary area with full backline & sound production - performances are in the evenings. Small Stage acts perform in the Arbour Lounge area with no backline and minimal sound production.

If you have any question or require further information, please contact the Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies office at (780)427-2174 or via email at aaas@gov.ab.ca

We look forward to receiving your application!

Sincerely,
Lisa Hardy
Chief Administrative Officer



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Showcase Application Procedures

Application Forms / Support Materials

Submit completed applications with these support materials, on or before January 9, 2017:

1. Application form with fee
2. CD - sufficient selections to depict talent, originality, etc. - musical and variety stage act that incorporate musical performance.
3. References and/or "Letters of Recommendation" from fairs or Agricultural Societies
4. Promotional package to include a digital black and white photo and a color photo suitable for publication
5. A brief biography to be inserted in the delegate book should your application be accepted

Recommended:

1. Quality Digital Video Recording, YouTube or DVD (optional)
Video, YouTube or DVD may significantly enhance your chances of being selected

Applications and required materials must be received by January 9, 2017. AAAS Showcase selections will be made by January 18th, 2017 - all applicants will be notified after this date.

Showcase General Information & Policies 2017

Selection:

The AAAS Showcase Committee in conjunction with a representative from the AAAS office has the sole authority in the selection of and development of the showcase schedules. Selection of acts is based on the originality and talent of the act, capability of production at the showcase facility and appropriateness to fair/agricultural societies' audiences. AAAS selections for showcasing will be made after the closing date. AAAS Showcase selections will be made by January 18, 2017 - all applicants will be notified.

Eligibility:

In the event of a duplication of acts, those acts submitted by AAAS Service members will be given preference. Applications not accompanied by the applicable showcase fee will not be considered to showcase. **In the event an act is not selected, your showcase fee will be refunded.**

Cancellations:

If an act is unable to appear, no substitutions by Act or Agency will be permitted for the showcase performance. Acts that cancel will not receive a refund on applicable paid fees.

Production/Equipment/Performances - Small Stage Acts:

1. Maximum time to perform for each stage act - **25 minutes**
2. Stage and Production equipment is the responsibility and control of the AAAS production crew. A basic house system will be provided by AAAS, and scaled to the venue used and reasonable requirements of the act. The AAAS showcase chairman will have absolute control over this system, including overall volume levels (both stage and house).
3. All acts will perform under standard lighting in the room
4. AAAS assumes no responsibility for any expenses, transportation, meals or rooms of any act



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5. All members and support staff of the showcasing acts will be given Showcase-Act credentials. This badge will entitle them to be at the convention on the date of their showcase only.
6. Showcase times will be confirmed after the application closing date

WHERE TO STAY?

*Should you wish to stay with us during convention, rooms are available at the host hotel.
Be sure to request the **AAAS Convention Rate** when booking!!!*

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11834 Kingsway Avenue NW
Edmonton, AB T5G 3J5

Toll Free: 1-888-747-4114

Direct: 780-454-5454

Email: reservations@ramadaedmonton.com

Website: www.ramadaedmonton.com

Reservation Group Name: Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies

Reservation Group Code: CGACIB

Standard Guestroom Rate: \$119.00 per night + taxes

Business Class Guestroom Rate: \$129.00 per night + taxes

For additional information on the Showcase please contact:

Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies

Ph: 780-427-2174

Fax: 780-427-2861

E-mail: aaas@gov.ab.ca

Website: www.albertaagsocieties.ca

An Electronic Version of the application can be found on the website



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Company Name

Company Contact

Address **City**

Province **Postal Code** **Phone No.**

Fax No. **Email** **Website**

- Music Act (Band)**
- Music Act (Solo Performer)**
- Non-music Stage Act**
- Strolling Entertainment**

Description of Act

Become an AAAS Service Member and save on your showcase fees and promote yourself to our member's year-round through the AAAS website, newsletter and service member directory. Service Members also receive a discount on the AAAS Newsletter advertising rates. If you are not a member, please contact the Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies office at (780) 427-2174 and discover the opportunities! Membership Application Form available on Page 5.

Small Stage Showcase Fees:

Small Stage Showcase Schedule

Please indicate your time/day of preference and number your choices #1, #2, #3, etc.

Friday February 3, 2017

12:30pm - 1:00pm <input type="checkbox"/>	2:30pm - 3:00pm <input type="checkbox"/>
1:00pm - 1:30pm <input type="checkbox"/>	3:00pm - 3:30pm <input type="checkbox"/>
1:30pm - 2:00pm <input type="checkbox"/>	
2:00pm - 2:30pm <input type="checkbox"/>	

Saturday February 4, 2017

12:30pm - 1:00pm <input type="checkbox"/>
1:00pm - 1:30pm <input type="checkbox"/>
1:30pm - 2:00pm <input type="checkbox"/>

***Times of Performances are subject to change*

Signature of Applicant: _____

Printed Name: _____

Return this application form along with your cheque to: Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies
 #100a, J.G. O'Donoghue Building, 7000 - 113th Street
 Edmonton, AB T6H 5T6



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Service Member Application

Date

New Member (\$300) **Renewal Membership (\$300)** **Other**

Company Name	<input type="text"/>	Contact	<input type="text"/>
Address	<input type="text"/>	City/Town	<input type="text"/>
Province	<input type="text"/>	Postal Code	<input type="text"/>
Telephone	<input type="text"/>	Fax	<input type="text"/>
Email	<input type="text"/>	Website	<input type="text"/>
Type of Business	<input type="text"/>		

Description of Company Products or Services (25 words or less)

I agree to have the above information listed in the following Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies publications

Website **Newsletter** **Membership Directory**
 Convention Materials **AAAS App (Buyers Guide)** **Other AAAS Publications**

Signature **Date**

Membership Advantages for your Annual Fee of \$300.00

- * Quarterly Newsletter
- * Membership Directory
- * Advertising Discounts
- * Listed in the AAAS Buyers Guide
- * Special Pricing for Trade Show
- * Free listing in Convention Delegate Book
- * Free listing in the Spring Newsletter
- * Free listing in the Membership Directory
- * Free business card ad in the Membership Directory
- * Convention Showcase Opportunities
- * Website Linkage

Get Connected Through Belonging

Return this application along with your cheque to :

Alberta Association of Agricultural Societies
 #100a, J.G. O'Donoghue Building
 7000—113 Street Edmonton, AB T6H 5T6

Note: There is no GST charged for Membership Fees

For Office Use Only	
Date Application Rec'd	<input type="text"/>
Paid Cheque #	<input type="text"/>
Invoice No.	<input type="text"/>
Date Updated in Directory	<input type="text"/>
Approved By	<input type="text"/>