



Opera Idol Rules & Guidelines 2023

- Applicants must be 18 years of age or older.
- Although applicants living in, or with a connection to, Manitoba will be given first priority, all Canadian residents are invited to apply.
- Singers may participate in Opera Idol up to three times.
- Applications, fees, and supplementary materials must be received by **November 8, 2023**.
- Supplementary materials include: a short bio (under 150 words), a headshot (.jpg files only) and a one-page performance resume submitted to flipsideopera@gmail.com.
- The \$25 non-refundable application fee must be paid at time of application via Eventbrite at <https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/opera-idol-2023-tickets-745762805627?aff=oddtcreator>
- **Up to ten selected performers** will be notified by **November 15, 2023**. If not selected to compete, the application fee will be redeemable as a ticket to the Opera Idol event.
- The competition will take place in the evening of **Friday, December 1, 2023** at Grace Bible Church (366 Oakwood Avenue, Winnipeg, MB).
- Each performer is required to prepare two arias, OR one aria and one musical theatre piece.
- Each selection must be under five minutes in length.
- The aria selection and order represented on the application is final; **no changes will be accepted after November 22, 2023**.
- In the event of a tie, the prize money will be split and roles will be awarded to both winners.
- There will be two rounds. Each performer selected is guaranteed to perform in the first round. Participation in the final round will be determined by live audience voting on the evening of the competition.
- The audience choice winner of "Opera Idol" will receive a cash prize as well as an opportunity for a role in an upcoming season with Flipside Opera & Art Song Collective. Judges' choice and runner-up cash prizes will also be awarded.
- A pianist will be provided free of charge for the performance. Any rehearsals must be arranged directly with the pianist at the performer's expense.
- Candidates must provide a score for the pianist 14 days prior to the competition.
- All decisions are final.
- By participating in the "Opera Idol" competition, candidates agree to allow their image to be used in Flipside's promotional material and on the Flipside website.