



## Certification and Advisory Board Winner's letter

**National Oldtime Fiddlers, Inc**

**P.O. Box 447 Weiser, ID 83672 208-414-0255**

**CONGRATULATIONS!!!!** Being a first place winner of a certified contest entitles you to participate free of charge in the National Oldtime Fiddlers' Contest (NOTFC) and in the Certified Showcase at the NOTFC held in Weiser the third full week of June. We actually have TWO contests going on, and different entry forms need to be filled out for each.

**Registration forms are found on [www.fiddlecontest.org](http://www.fiddlecontest.org) or contact above phone or address.**

Also found on the website are rules, deadlines, schedules, and much more. Should you have any questions, please call Aimee at 208-414-0255.

We encourage you to return your Certified Showcase Entry Form **as soon as possible and no later than June 1** to ensure that you will be placed on the schedule for the Certified Showcase. (This contest appeals to those that love to entertain, originality is encouraged.) **Please note that it is mandatory for contestants in this showcase to be members of the NOTFA.** Also, please reconfirm your entry in the Certified Showcase when picking up your contestant packet at the NOTFC Registration.

A National Contest Entry Form must be sent in by June 1st to qualify for the early bird rate and to avoid a late fee if you intend to participate in the National Contest. There are a limited number of entries being accepted in each division and being a certified winner does NOT automatically register you in the contest.

### **Advantages of Winning First Place in Certified Contests:**

- Prepaid entry into the NOTFC.
- Certified ribbon issued to be worn with contestant ribbon at NOTFC.
- No-cost entry into Certified Showcase Contest

### **Additional Information:**

- Open to first place winners only.
- Play one tune (total time on stage 3 minutes) showcasing fiddling abilities.
- All other aspects such as vocals, dance, etc., should support and enhance your fiddling.
- Judging done by qualified judges located in audience.
- Four trophies awarded each night:

Best Entertainer (Female),

Fanciest Fiddling

Best Entertainer (Male)

Best Costume

- Three nights of competition, classified by age division.
- Picture sent by your certified contest to be displayed on the Wall of Fame.

**Hope to see you in Weiser!**



## CERTIFIED SHOWCASE ENTRY FORM

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**To enter the Certified Showcase you must be a division winner during the previous season of an official contest, in good standing, that is certified by the National Oldtime Fiddlers, Inc.**

Date: ___/___/___	Phone Number:	Cell Number:	
Name:		Male: <input type="checkbox"/>	Female: <input type="checkbox"/>
Address:		Email:	
City:	State	Postal Code:	
Birthdate: ___/___/___	Age:	Parent/Guardian Name: (if minor)	

<b>CERTIFIED CONTEST INFORMATION:</b>			
Name of Certified Contest:			
Contest Date ___/___/___	City	State	Zip
Circle Certified Division Won: Small Fry Junior Junior Junior Young Adult Adult Senior Senior Senior Grand Champion			

Hobbies & Interest:
Fun Facts for the Master of Ceremonies:
Accompanist Name(s):

Contestant Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_/\_\_\_/\_\_\_

(If under age 18 please have parent or guardian sign above.)

Contestant Name \_\_\_\_\_

## Certified Showcase Score Sheet

Rate each contestant in each category.

Circle the appropriate rating.

1) **BEST COSTUME**

Costume	0	1	2	3	4	5
Costume matches theme of song	0	1	2	3	4	5
Accompanist matches them	0	1	2	3	4	5

Best Costume Subtotal \_\_\_\_\_

2) **FANCIEST FIDDLER**

Trick Fiddling (behind the back/under leg/ etc.)	0	1	2	3	4	5
Rapid bow movement	0	1	2	3	4	5
Great crowd response	0	1	2	3	4	5

Fanciest Fiddler Subtotal \_\_\_\_\_

3) **Best Entertainer (male and female)**

Is the fiddle the main attraction?	0	1	2	3	4	5
Did the certified fiddler fiddle?	0	1	2	3	4	5
Smiles	0	1	2	3	4	5
Good eye contact	0	1	2	3	4	5
Enthusiastic verbal introduction	0	1	2	3	4	5
Great crowd response	0	1	2	3	4	5

Best Entertainer Subtotal \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Total \_\_\_\_\_

**JUDGING:** Three judges are selected prior to contest and will be seated in audience.

**SCORING:** Each category will be judged from 0 to 5 with 5 being the best.

**WINNERS:** Total points in the Best Costume and the Fanciest Fiddling categories will determine the winner of that category. Ties in Best Costumes and Fanciest Fiddler will be broken by including points for Entertainer category. Best Entertainer will be determined by the Grand Total.

**CONTESTANTS:** You do not sign up for a specific category.