



MAINE TALENT SHOW

PARTNER APPLICATION & AGREEMENT

May 23-24, 2027 | Augusta Civic Center



1. PARTNER INFORMATION

Partner Referral Code

First Name

MI

Last Name

Date of Birth

Organization

EIN #

Address

City

State

ZIP Code

Tel #

Text #

Email

Favorite Charity (must be nonprofit)

Charity Address

Charity Telephone

Charity Website

The designated favorite charity must be a nonprofit organization and remains subject to verification and approval.



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2. PARTNER COMMITMENTS & EVENT INFORMATION

Partners agree to recruit contestants, promote the Contest, and expand its charitable impact. Partners will provide letters of support and examples explaining how donations will benefit their organization.

Approved Partners will be assigned a unique Partner Referral Code and a media starter pack to begin spreading the word and promoting referrals. Partners must advise every potential referral to enter the assigned code on the website when registering so the Partner receives proper credit.

The Maine Talent Show runs for two days: May 23-24, 2027.

TICKET PRICES

- \$20 per day - Veterans, Seniors, and Students
- \$25 per day - Adults
- \$100 - Two-Day VIP Ticket with preferred seating

PARTNER REWARDS

For every qualifying Contest ticket referral that results in a verified sale, \$5 will be donated to the Partner's approved favorite charity. Participation-based donations may also be awarded to an approved favorite cause.

Donations from event profits will be disbursed within 21 business days after the May 23-24, 2027 Contest, subject to final accounting, verification, eligibility, applicable law, and official policies.

PARTNER POINTS SYSTEM

25 points	Each unique website sign-up at www.mainetalentshow.org
50 points	Each qualifying ticket sold
100 points	Each qualifying sponsor referral, advertiser referral, or donation
150 points	Referring an audition submission
250 points	A referred auditioner is selected to perform in the Contest

All points, referrals, credits, and donations are subject to verification and the official Partner Program rules.



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3. AGREEMENT

By signing below, the Partner agrees to participate, comply with all applicable laws and official program rules, and support the Maine Talent Show and its charitable mission.

Mail this signed form to:
Hope Foundation
1286 High Street
West Gardiner, Maine 04345

Partner Signature

Date

Printed Name

4. HOPE FOUNDATION APPROVAL

Approved By

Organization

Approval Date

Assigned Partner Referral Code

Approval becomes effective only when signed or otherwise confirmed by an authorized Hope Foundation representative.

EVENT PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

Protective collaboration terms; no legal partnership, agency, or ownership rights

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Effective Date	_____
Foundation	The Hope Foundation, EIN 41-3507308
Event Partner	_____
Partner Address	_____
Partner Contact	_____ Email/Phone: _____
Event	The Maine Talent Show, May 23-24, 2027, Augusta Civic Center

This Event Partnership Agreement (the "Agreement") is between The Hope Foundation (the "Foundation") and the Event Partner identified above (the "Partner"). The Foundation and Partner may each be a "Party" and together the "Parties." The Parties agree as follows:

1. Purpose and Limited Scope

The Parties will collaborate only on the specific Event activities and deliverables listed in this Agreement. No duty, benefit, payment, approval, or commitment exists unless it is stated here or in a later written amendment signed by authorized representatives of both Parties.

The Foundation retains final authority over the Event's charitable mission, budget, programming, performers, contestants, volunteers, venue coordination, safety, public communications, brand, and operations. Partner receives no ownership, governance, voting, management, beneficiary, or continuing rights in the Foundation or the Event.

2. No Legal Partnership, Agency, or Authority

The words 'partner' and 'partnership' describe a limited event collaboration only. Nothing in this Agreement creates a legal partnership, joint venture, fiduciary relationship, franchise, employment relationship, association, or agency. Neither Party may bind, contract for, incur debt for, represent, or make promises on behalf of the other Party.

Partner will not represent that it owns, controls, manages, speaks for, or is authorized to receive money for the Foundation. Partner may not open an account, sign a contract, hire personnel, purchase goods, solicit donations, issue receipts, make tax representations, or communicate with the venue, government, media, performers, sponsors, donors, contestants, or vendors in the Foundation's name without prior written authorization for that specific act.

3. Partner Deliverables and Deadlines

Partner will perform only the deliverables completed below. Each deliverable must satisfy the Foundation's written instructions, venue requirements, applicable law, and Event schedule.

Deliverable	Responsible Party	Due Date	Acceptance Standard	Approved Cost

Foundation acceptance must be in writing. Silence, partial use, attendance, or continued discussions do not constitute acceptance or waive a defect.

4. Financial Terms; No Unapproved Expenses

Partner Cash Contribution	\$ _____ due _____
Approved In-Kind Support	_____
Foundation Payment, if any	\$ _____ due only after: _____
Revenue Share	None, unless expressly stated here: _____
Expense Reimbursement	None without advance written approval and itemized receipts.

Each Party bears its own costs except as expressly stated. Partner may not charge expenses, commissions, markups, cancellation fees, or third-party obligations to the Foundation without advance written approval identifying the maximum amount. Partner has no lien, ownership interest, or right to Event proceeds, donations, sponsorships, tickets, records, or property.

5. Fundraising, Money, and Tax Representations

Only the Foundation may approve fundraising conducted in its name. All Event-related money collected for the Foundation must be payable directly to the Foundation and delivered promptly with a complete accounting. Partner may not commingle funds, deduct expenses from receipts, retain donor data, issue charitable receipts, or state that a payment is tax deductible.

Partner is responsible for its own taxes, permits, licenses, payroll, workers' compensation, and reporting. The Foundation makes no representation concerning Partner's tax treatment.

6. Approval of Communications and Use of Names

Partner may use the names, logos, photographs, marks, event descriptions, or other intellectual property of the Foundation or The Maine Talent Show only after written approval of the exact material and only during the approved period. The limited permission is nonexclusive, nontransferable, revocable, and creates no ownership right.

Partner may not publish press releases, advertisements, social posts, fundraising appeals, interviews, announcements, or representations about the Foundation, the Event, its finances, performers, contestants, sponsors, donors, or beneficiaries without prior written approval. Partner must promptly correct or remove unapproved or inaccurate material on request.

7. Partner Personnel and Subcontractors

Partner is solely responsible for its employees, contractors, volunteers, agents, equipment, and operations. Partner will use competent, properly trained and supervised personnel and will conduct appropriate screening where duties involve minors, vulnerable persons, money, credentials, private areas, transportation, or sensitive information.

Partner may not delegate or subcontract a material duty without the Foundation's prior written consent. Consent does not relieve Partner of responsibility. Partner remains liable for every approved subcontractor or person it brings to the Event. No such person is an employee or volunteer of the Foundation unless separately accepted in writing.

8. Safety, Conduct, and Venue Compliance

Partner and its personnel will follow all applicable laws, permits, accessibility requirements, fire and occupancy rules, health and safety requirements, venue policies, Event credentials, schedules, security directions, child-safety rules, and Foundation codes of conduct. No person may bring weapons, illegal drugs, dangerous materials, unauthorized animals, or unapproved alcohol onto Event property.

The Foundation may deny entry, remove personnel or materials, stop work, or suspend an activity whenever it reasonably believes safety, legality, reputation, charitable status, venue relations, or orderly Event operations are at risk. Exercising this right does not make the Foundation responsible for Partner's personnel or operations.

9. Minors, Privacy, and Confidential Information

Partner may not photograph, record, interview, transport, supervise, communicate privately with, or collect information from a minor except through a Foundation-approved process with required parent or guardian consent and appropriate safeguards. Partner will immediately report suspected abuse, harassment, exploitation, unsafe conduct, or missing persons to Event leadership and appropriate authorities.

Partner will collect only information expressly authorized in writing; use it only for the approved Event purpose; apply reasonable administrative, technical, and physical safeguards; restrict access; promptly report any loss, misuse, or unauthorized disclosure; assist with legally required notices; and return or securely destroy the information on request. Donor, contestant, performer, volunteer, ticket purchaser, sponsor, and attendee information belongs to the Foundation or the applicable individual and may not be sold, retained, or reused.

Nonpublic plans, contracts, pricing, credentials, security procedures, personal information, and financial information are confidential. Partner may disclose them only to personnel who need them and are bound by equivalent duties, or as legally required after prompt notice when permitted.

10. Property; Risk of Loss

Each Party retains ownership of its preexisting property. Partner is responsible for the custody, security, installation, operation, removal, damage, and loss of its property and any property entrusted to it. Partner will repair or reimburse damage caused by Partner or its personnel. The Foundation does not insure or assume responsibility for Partner's equipment, vehicles, inventory, cash, or personal property.

11. Records and Audit

Partner will maintain accurate contracts, approvals, invoices, receipts, permissions, releases, attendance records, safety records, and financial records relating to its work for at least four years after the Event. Upon reasonable notice, Partner will provide records needed to verify compliance, investigate a complaint, satisfy an insurer, complete a grant or tax report, or respond to lawful process. This right does not permit access to unrelated confidential business records.

12. Indemnification

To the fullest extent permitted by law, Partner will defend, indemnify, and hold harmless The Hope Foundation and its directors, officers, organizers, employees, volunteers, contractors, agents, successors, and representatives (collectively, the 'Foundation Protected Parties') from claims, demands, investigations, liabilities, judgments, penalties, damages, losses, liens, chargebacks, and reasonable legal fees arising from or related to: (a) Partner's acts or omissions; (b) Partner's personnel, subcontractors, goods, services, vehicles, equipment, or activities; (c) bodily injury, death, or property damage caused by Partner; (d) breach of this Agreement; (e) violation of law or venue rules; (f) infringement, privacy, publicity, defamation,

advertising, or data-security claims; or (g) taxes, wages, benefits, permits, debts, or obligations attributable to Partner.

Partner has no duty to indemnify a Foundation Protected Party to the extent a final judgment determines that the claim was caused by that protected party's gross negligence or willful misconduct. Partner may not settle a claim in a manner that admits fault by, imposes duties on, or restricts a Foundation Protected Party without the Foundation's written consent.

13. Limitation of Liability; No Personal Liability

To the fullest extent permitted by law, the Foundation and its directors, officers, organizers, volunteers, agents, and representatives will not be liable for indirect, incidental, consequential, exemplary, special, punitive, or lost-profit damages, or for Partner's lost opportunities, expected publicity, goodwill, or business interruption.

The aggregate liability of the Foundation and all Foundation Protected Parties arising from this Agreement will not exceed the amount actually paid by Partner to the Foundation under this Agreement, excluding charitable gifts and pass-through amounts, except to the extent a limitation is prohibited by law. Partner agrees that no director, officer, organizer, volunteer, agent, or representative of the Foundation assumes personal liability under this Agreement solely by negotiating, approving, signing, or administering it. Partner's recourse, if any, is solely against the Foundation.

14. Term; Suspension; Termination

This Agreement begins on the Effective Date and ends after both Parties complete their written duties, unless terminated earlier. The Foundation may suspend performance immediately for safety, suspected illegality, misconduct, reputational risk, nonpayment, missed deadlines, loss of insurance, venue objection, misuse of funds or marks, confidentiality or privacy concerns, or material breach.

Either Party may terminate for a material breach not cured within five calendar days after written notice, or immediately if the breach cannot reasonably be cured. The Foundation may terminate for convenience on ten calendar days' written notice. On termination, Partner will stop representing any affiliation, return Foundation property and information, remove marks and credentials, deliver collected funds and records, and cooperate in an orderly transition. The Foundation owes only approved, noncancelable, properly documented amounts for satisfactory work accepted before termination, less damages, offsets, refunds, or amounts already paid.

15. Event Changes and Force Majeure

The Foundation may change the Event's date, hours, format, venue areas, schedule, capacity, programming, participants, or delivery method. Neither Party is liable for delay or failure caused by circumstances beyond reasonable control, including severe weather, casualty, illness, public emergency, government action, labor disruption, utility or network failure, security concern, venue closure, or cancellation or postponement. The Foundation may offer a substitute date or activity but is not responsible for Partner's lost revenue, travel, inventory, staffing, or other consequential costs.

16. Dispute Resolution; Maine Law

The Parties will first attempt in good faith to resolve a dispute through senior representatives. If unresolved, they will participate in nonbinding mediation in Kennebec County, Maine, before filing suit, except that the Foundation may seek immediate injunctive or protective relief for misuse of funds, marks, confidential information, personal information, credentials, or threats to safety. Maine law governs without regard to conflict-of-law rules. State and federal courts located in Maine will have exclusive jurisdiction, and Partner consents to venue there.

17. General Terms

This Agreement, including completed schedules and signed amendments, is the entire agreement concerning the collaboration and supersedes prior discussions. Changes and waivers must be written and signed by authorized representatives. Failure to enforce a provision is not a waiver. Partner may not assign

this Agreement without the Foundation's prior written consent. If a provision is unenforceable, it will be narrowed to the minimum extent necessary and the remainder will remain effective. Headings do not control interpretation. Electronic signatures and counterparts are effective. Notices must be sent to the contacts above and to info@mainetalentshow.org for the Foundation. Sections concerning money, ownership, confidentiality, privacy, records, indemnification, liability, dispute resolution, and any provision intended by its nature to continue will survive termination.

Special Conditions or Approved Exceptions

Important: This protective template should be reviewed by a Maine attorney and the Foundation's insurance adviser before signature, especially the insurance limits, indemnification, minors, fundraising, and liability provisions. It is not legal or tax advice.

Signatures

The parties intend to be legally bound as of the Effective Date written above.

THE HOPE FOUNDATION	EVENT PARTNER
By: _____	By: _____
Name: _____	Name: _____
Title: _____	Title: _____
Date: _____	Date: _____