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**ENTER THE STANISLAUS COUNTY FAIR AND  
THE MODESTO BEE'S TASTE OF TALENT SEARCH TODAY!**

Turlock, CA (June 24, 2010) – Time is running out! Enter to win for a chance to show off your musical talent at this year's Stanislaus County Fair Taste of Talent Search contest.

The Stanislaus County Fair and Modesto Bee have teamed up to look for talented local bands, duos, and/or solo singers in Stanislaus and surrounding counties. The contest, "Taste of Talent," will allow one lucky winner to perform on Thursday, July 22, at 6 p.m. on the Cencal Stage. The winner will also be performing the same night that Boys Like Girls will perform on the Budweiser Variety Free Stage and on Kids Free Night at the Fair (12 yrs. and under admitted free).

All participants must be residents of Stanislaus, Mariposa, Merced, San Joaquin, or Tuolumne counties. All entries are to be made in a form of a :30 second video submission through Modesto Bee's website (modbee.com, Contests & Promotions). Any submissions that include individuals under the age of 13 must be made by an adult.

The entry deadline has been extended to Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 p.m. Voting is available through Friday, July 9 at 5 p.m. All voting will be on Modesto Bee's website.

The winning performer or group must have transportation to the Fair and must supply any instruments, amplifiers, microphones, speakers or any other audio/video equipment. If you are not available to perform on Thursday, July 22, please do not enter this contest. For further information please visit the Contests & Promotions section of Modesto Bee's homepage ([www.modbee.com](http://www.modbee.com)).

The 2010 Stanislaus County Fair opens Friday, July 16 for a 10-day run. Discounted Fair admission tickets, unlimited ride wristbands and FoodMaxx Arena motorsports tickets are now on sale. Visit the Fair's website for detailed ticket sale information at [www.stancofair.com](http://www.stancofair.com). The 2010 Fair theme is "Flavors of the Valley." The theme will highlight food and beverage products that are processed in the Central Valley. The 2010 Fair will also feature the highly popular Rainforest Adventure, sponsored by Sky Trek Aviation, which debuted in 2009. Also planned for 2010 are 10-nights of free celebrity concerts included with admission, a total of five stages of live entertainment, upwards of 30,000 local exhibits and over 1,750 animals.

To receive future Fair concert announcements by text message, text the word "FAIR" to 47645. Fair enthusiasts can also follow how the 2010 Fair is developing at [twitter.com/stancofair](https://twitter.com/stancofair). In addition, become a fan of the Fair at [facebook.com/stancofair](https://facebook.com/stancofair). Fair news and event listings are also available at [myspace.com/stancofair](https://myspace.com/stancofair).

The mission of the Stanislaus County Fair is to provide a family and community oriented experience promoting agriculture, entertainment and technology. For more information about the Stanislaus County Fair log onto its website at [www.stancofair.com](http://www.stancofair.com).

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