

Awards and Prizes

1. I.B.M. Stage Contest – Youth Category (Ages 7–17):

- **1st Place:** Trophy + \$500 USD.
- If elevated to Gold Medal: Additional \$2,000 USD and the Gold Medal.
- **Award of Merit (2nd Place):** \$250 USD.

2. I.B.M. Stage Contest – Adult Category (Ages 18+):

- **1st Place:** Trophy + \$1,000 USD.
- If elevated to Gold Medal: Additional \$2,000 USD and the Gold Medal.
- **Award of Merit (2nd Place):** \$500 USD.

3. I.B.M. Stage Contest – People's Choice Award:

- \$500 USD (selected by the audience).

4. I.B.M. Close-Up Contest – Youth Category (Ages 7–17):

- **1st Place:** Trophy + \$500 USD.
- If elevated to Gold Cups: additional \$2,000 USD and the Gold Cups.
- **Award of Merit (2nd Place):** \$250 USD.

5. I.B.M. Close-Up Contest – Adult Category (Ages 18+):

- **1st Place:** Trophy + \$1,000 USD.
- If elevated to Gold Cups: Additional \$2,000 USD and the Gold Cups.
- **Award of Merit (2nd Place):** \$500 USD.

6. I.B.M. Close-Up Contest – People's Choice Award:

- \$500 USD (selected by the audience).

7. Karrell Fox Comedy Award:

- Awarded to a Stage Contestant demonstrating exceptional comedic timing and wit. This award is given at the unanimous discretion of the judges and is not presented annually.

8. FANTASMA Youth Prize Package:

- Available to the **Youth Stage Contest 1st Place winner**

Every year Roger Dreyer of Fantasma puts together a very special Fantasma Youth Prize. This year will be no exception. It will be the most coveted prize of the whole convention. Full details of this award will be published very soon.