

Name - _____

Vocal Performance Rubric

	Skill	Standing Ovation (4)	Stage Ready (3)	Practice, Practice (2)	Try Again (1)
Technique	Posture	Shows correct posture: neck and shoulders relaxed, back straight, chest open, and feet flat on the floor	Shows mostly proper posture but with some inconsistencies	Shows some aspects of proper posture but with significant need for refinement	Does not show correct posture
	Breath Control	Shows low and deep breath that supports even and appropriate flow of air (no shoulder movements)	Shows ability to breathe deeply and control air flow but is sometimes inconsistent	Shows basic breath and air control but often inconsistent (visible shoulder movements, audible breath sounds)	Does not show appropriate breathing (shallow breaths, large shoulder movement, loud breath sounds)
	Singing Voice	Shows consistent use of the head voice with a clear tone	Shows ability to sing in head voice but with occasional breathy tone or overuse of chest voice	Occasionally shows ability to sing in head voice; with frequent breathy tone or overuse of chest voice	Does not show proper singing technique (sings only in chest voice, yells, speaks, produces breathy tones)
Musical Accuracy	Rhythm	Performs all rhythms correctly, with correct duration; consistent steady tempo	Performs with a steady tempo but has some errors with rhythm and duration	Performs with a sometimes steady tempo; has frequent errors with rhythm and duration	Does not perform with steady tempo, correct rhythms, or duration
	Pitch	Performs all pitches accurately	Performs the majority of pitches accurately but has some errors	Some pitches are accurate, but has frequent and/or repeated errors	Does not perform with accurate pitch
Expression	Diction	Sings with crisp, clear consonants and vowels are open and shaped appropriately	Diction is mostly clear (vowels not open consistently; consonants need precision)	Diction is inconsistent (vowels frequently closed; consonants are imprecise)	Diction is not understandable
	Phrasing	Performs all phrasing accurately and musically, and appropriate to song text	Shows an understanding of musical phrasing, with some inconsistencies in song text emphasis	Shows a limited understanding of tempo and is frequently inconsistent	Does not show understanding of appropriate phrasing
	Tempo	Performs all tempos accurately	Shows a basic understanding of tempo but is sometimes inconsistent	Shows a limited understanding of tempo and is frequently inconsistent	Does not show an understanding of appropriate tempo
	Dynamics	Performs all dynamic variations accurately as directed by the score	Performs some variations in dynamic qualities as directed by the score	Performs few variations in dynamic qualities as directed by the score	Does not show understanding of appropriate dynamics

