



Liars Contest - Sunday May 27  
Norman L. Fagan West Virginia State Theater  
Culture Center

## 2012 LIARS CONTEST

Registration for Liars Contest: Noon - 1 p.m.  
Contest begins 1 p.m.

**Awards:** \$100 First Place; \$75 Second Place; \$50 Third Place; \$25 Youth Award (15 and under)

**West Virginia residents only**

### LIARS CONTEST RULES

1. The "lies" should be short stories (humorous, dramatic, supernatural, etc.) with a maximum length of 3-5 minutes.
2. All contestants must register. Three winners (1st, 2nd and 3rd places) to be chosen from all competitors.
3. **Awards Ceremony will take place following the contest.** Winners will receive an award check in the mail within three weeks.
4. The first place winner will not be eligible to compete in the Liars Contest in 2012.
5. Judging will be done by a panel of three storytelling experts who will score each contestant in the following categories:
  - a. **Technique** - Delivery, confidence, general stagecraft
  - b. **Story Development** - Good development of the tale in time available
  - c. **Originality** - New material, or fresh handling of a familiar yarn
  - d. **Effectiveness** - In judges' opinion, taking audience response into considerationThe three judges will score each of the four categories on a scale of 1 to 5 with a maximum of 20 points per competitor. Final scores will not be given to contestants.
6. The judges will confer at the end of the contest to decide the winners.
7. The decision of the judges will be final.
8. All tales will be recorded and placed in the West Virginia State Archives. Stories may be published in GOLDENSEAL or other publications.
9. All winners are required to submit their Social Security numbers in order to collect their prizes. Parents' social security numbers are prohibited for youth winners.

