

Idols Play to a Full House



3rd from the left Jocelyn Purcell - a happy winner!

Photo Andy Scheck

The Orinda Theater was nearly filled to its 750 seat capacity on Sunday, September 9, as the contenders for the coveted title of Orinda Idol, dressed to kill and ready to wow the audience, appeared for the final competition. Four Orinda Idols would be named at the end of the day, in four different age groups:

Kindergarten to 2 grade:

Jocelyn Purcell

Grade 3 to Grade 5:

Amrita Newton

Middle School:

Neris Newton

High School:

Ben Freeman

Orinda Idol is a project of the Orinda Arts Council, designed to

showcase local young vocal talent in support of the performing arts. Program Chair Susan Garell said, "It was a great experience for the community. The children showed great talent and poise, highlighting what a positive experience the performing arts can be for youngsters."

"The event itself could not have been so successful," continued Garell, "without the contributions of Orinda Arts Council members, our technical team, the judges, the emcees, the parents, and Mayor Steve Glazer (and many others), all of whom graciously volunteered their time."

For more information go to: <http://orindaartscouncil.org>



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