

American Idol-esque talent competition for young adult survivors gets under way

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Instead of *American Idol* or *So You Think You Can Dance*, young musicians and dancers with cancer now have a competition of their own.

[Vital Options](#) has launched *Surviving Idol: Young Adults with Cancer Expressing Themselves* in support of National Young Adult Cancer Awareness Week, which takes place the first week of April. Cancer survivors between ages 17 and 40 can compete in the global talent contest in any of three categories: vocal, instrumental, and dance.

A panel of advocates and celebrities affected by cancer will select the finalists in each category, but in true *Idol* fashion, you vote for your favorites. The winners of *Su* *Surviving Idol* will be featured in an upcoming concert, with other plans in the works as well.

The site is still a work in progress, but they're already accepting entries at survivingidol.com.