Southwest Orlando Idol Winner

Michaela Kayleh of Southwest is the inaugural Southwest Orlando Idol.

Michaela Kayleh
Southwest Orlando
finale song: ***To Make You Feel My Love***
(click to view finale performance)

Ask a teenager who her favorite performer is, and names such as Katy Perry, Justin Timberlake, Adele,

“She is amazing, and I love to watch her perform,” she said.

Kayleh started singing at 9 years old when she joined her school’s singing group.

“I got to travel everywhere, like Reno, Nevada; Chicago; and even China.” she said.

Kayleh is no stranger to singing competitions. So, when she saw that the Southwest Orlando Bulletin wa

“I thought it would be a great way to practice my performing skills,” she said. “I had a blast doing the con

Kayleh has dreams of being a recording artist and performing more locally.

“I truly appreciate this wonderful opportunity and all the hard work that the staff of the Southwest Orland

Kayleh also plans to attend college and pursue a career as a marine mammal veterinarian.

First Runner-Up

Southwest resident Joao Andre is a member of a band that performs locally.

Joao Andre
Southwest Orlando
finale song: ***Forget You***
(click to view finale performance)

“My brother saw the ad for the Southwest Orlando Idol competition and told me I should do it,” Joao And

Andre has competed and placed in a number of Florida talent competitions, including Central Florida Ha

“I felt like [Southwest Orlando Idol] was one of the best competitions I’ve been in, because the talent wa

In addition to owning a business, Andre is a member of a Brazilian band that frequently performs in the C

“I’ll be auditioning for The Glee Project and starting to work on writing and producing my own songs,” he

Second Runner-Up

MetroWest resident Marjory DeAndrade plans to pursue singing, as well as acting and modeling.

Marjory DeAndrade
MetroWest
finale song: ***Let ‘er Rip***

(click to view finale performance)

Marjory DeAndrade feels she is especially blessed to have a large family of supporters.

“I want to thank my mom, Jacqueline; dad, Eduardo; and my brother, Vitor Huggo, for all of the support t

DeAndrade began singing when she was 8 years old, because she wanted to start a new hobby.

“My favorite performer is Carrie Underwood, because she has so much energy onstage and in her video

DeAndrade chose to enter Southwest Orlando Idol because of her love of singing.

“I wanted to participate in something I enjoy doing.

My experience was absolutely amazing. I thought the competition was really cool and put together well.

DeAndrade will continue to sing, but she also has aspirations to model and act.

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