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## Local band competes in ‘Small Town Sound’ contest

A Hartselle duo, who describes their music as a little bit country, bluegrass and Americana, is competing in a national competition.

Possum Hunters of America, featuring the brother-sister pair of Mala Patterson and John Kelly “Tubby” Patterson, entered Maurices’ “Small Town Sound” search for the top upcoming female-fronted band. The duo previously made the top 25 of the first season of “Can You Duet” and won Huntsville’s Panoply Arts Festival in 2008.

The first round of the nationwide “Small Town Sound” search runs through Nov. 15. The competition is a collaboration between Maurices, a clothing and specialty shop, PlayNetwork, a provider of in-store entertainment and Sonicbids, a company that connects bands with music promoters.

Fans can visit [www.maurices.com](http://www.maurices.com) to listen to the more than 500 competing bands and vote for their favorite, narrowing the field to 50 groups.

Participating voters will receive a coupon to Maurices. The store will also give away 13 shopping sprees ranging from \$100 to \$1,000.

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