

# Cultural Program Rules and Regulations

The following rules have been created to ensure fair and equal opportunity to everyone in our community. We request you to extend your co-operation for compliance with these rules before registering and help us towards smooth and successful management of **Diwali Dhamaka-2022**.

Thank you in advance!!

## SPANDANA DANCE DHAMAKA COMPETITION

The competition is divided into 4 groups:

- Tiny-Tots (age below 8yrs)
- Junior (ages from 8yrs-15yrs)
- Youth (16yrs to 22yrs)
- Adult (23yrs+).

If we do not get entries for a particular category, we will be skipping that category.

Entries are limited, Registration to be completed on or before Oct 12th 2022. Minimum headcount of 3 people per team for ALL categories. No restriction on maximum head-count. Entries will be confirmed a slot after Spandana reviews all the registrations and finalizes.

A video link to your past performance will help us a lot in reviewing your registration. There will be 3 awards in each group, Winner, Runner-up and Second runner-up.

### **Register your teams soon**

Registration deadline for the Dance Dhamaka Competition is Oct 12<sup>th</sup>, 2022. To register [click here](#)

### **Reporting:**

On **November 5th 2022**, All Dance Dhamaka participants must report to the registration desk, which opens at 1:00 PM. Please report along with your registration confirmation and entry passes for your group. If any Dance Dhamaka participant(s) does not report by **1:30 PM**, they will not be part of the competition. All participants must be seated as soon as reporting to cultural desk. Doors will then be closed for participants and Dhamaka competitions will start without waiting for any team arriving later than the time mentioned above.

## CULTURAL PROGRAM PRESENTATIONS IN THE GENERAL CATEGORY BY LOCAL TALENT

The General cultural programs by the local talent will be divided into below categories (35 minutes each):

- Instrumental and vocal music
- Dance
- Others (mimicry, magic show, stand-up comedy etc.)
- Fashion show
- Skits

Only ONE performance is allowed for each participant (Please pick any ONE Category to participate in) On **November 05<sup>th</sup> 2022**, all general category participants must report to the registration desk, which opens at **1:00 PM**. Please report along with your registration confirmation and entry passes for your group.

### **Dance, Music (vocal or instrument) and Skits:**

- Minimum age for cultural program in group performance is **5 yrs. and above**.
- Groups of 4 or more kids are allowed. However, priority will be given for bigger groups.
- All the audio tracks have to be submitted by **October 28<sup>th</sup>** in MP3 or WAV format.
- Innovative, creative and unique programs are given preference over routine programs.
- Performers are required to bring their own costumes, settings and any other required stage decorations for their performance.
- Preference will be given to the performers playing Instruments with classical or semi-classical over western music.

### **Group Performance Rules and Regulations:**

Any of the items **must not** exceed the below mentioned time limit.

- All Singing (includes Classical and semi classical): 4 min
- All Instruments (includes classical and semi classical): 4 min
- Classical Dance items: 5 min
- Semi classical Dance items: 5 min
- Skits/Drama: 10 min. (for a group of 10+).

### **Solo Performance Rules and Regulations:**

- The Solo performances will have limited slots (4 minutes) and will be filled on first-come first-served basis.
- In Dance category, the minimum age for solo performance is 10 years and above. This includes (Folk, classical, semi classical and movie categories)
- In Singing category, the minimum age for solo performance is 10 years and above. This includes (Folk, classical, semi classical and movie categories)
- Artists wishing to participate in Solo performance, for either singing or dance, must send a video link of a sample of one their recent performances.

- Cultural team will review the participant videos and make a decision.

### **Fashion Show:**

- Adults and kids are encouraged to participate in the colorful fashion show.
- Minimum age for fashion show is 2 yrs. and above.
- Kids can choose one of the pre-defined themes to participate in the fashion show. Example of some themes are Folk, Mythological, Classical, Semi-Classical, Patriotic, Western, Melody, Festive.
- Each theme will have 5 groups to perform and will be filled and allotted as registrations come through.
- Kids can present themselves in nice appropriate attire with a pre-selected theme. Specify the details of the attire while filling the registration form

### **Stage rules and regulations**

- Flames in the form of Candle light or lamps will not be permitted on the stage. Battery-operated lights may be allowed.
- Use of quick properties on stage is okay but set up has to be completed while announcing the item and has to be removed immediately after the performance is done.
- If help is needed for removal of props, please let the Cultural team know at least a week before the event.
- The entire group should report to the registration desk at their given allotted time along with their registration confirmation and entry passes for their group. Anyone who will **not** report their group by their given allotted time will have to wait until the end of the program for their performance.
- All participants and their families must purchase the entry pass. Choreographer/Coordinator/Dance teacher will be provided with one free entry pass. All the participants/choreographers/teachers will receive token of appreciation for their hard work in the form of awards/prizes/medals/shawls and/or certificate
- Entries will be accepted based on first come first serve basis.
- Spandana Foundation reserves the right to close the registration before the deadline if the slots in each category get filled up.
- **Deadline for registration: October 12<sup>th</sup> 2022. To register [click here](#)**
- Any entry submitted without the required information or after the deadline is not guaranteed to be part of the program.

### **Contact Us:**

- For additional information on competitions, please email us at [cultural.fl@spandana.org](mailto:cultural.fl@spandana.org) or contact our cultural coordinators listed below.

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