

## **General Rules and Guidelines for 73<sup>rd</sup> Independence day Cultural Competitions:**

### **Categories for Independence day are :**

- **Patriotic dance (Age: 7 to 15 years): In this category, you may perform on patriotic songs and themes.**
- **Bollywood Mash up (Age: 16 years and above): In this category, you may perform on Bollywood numbers. You may mix any peppy Bollywood songs to rock the stage.**

### **Our specific rules and Guidelines for competition entries are mentioned below:**

Note: Competition will be judged on the basis of choreography, Props, costume, synchronization, appropriate selection of songs, uniqueness of the performance.

#### ***RULES:***

- 1) Last date for submission of entries is Aug 10<sup>th</sup> 2019 or when slots fill up.
- 2) Must have minimum 4 participants in competition and general entries
- 3) Judges decision will be final. The panel will make pass judgement on following evaluations:
  1. Entry and Exit on the stage.
  2. Team formation and timings.
  3. Choreography
  4. Synchronization
  5. Appropriate selection of songs.
  6. Expression
  7. Props
  8. Innovation/ Uniqueness of the performance.
  9. Overall impression
  10. Costume
- 4) **Due to time constraints and maintain similar time lines for all entries, ALL the competition performance entries are required to be of 7 minutes plus 3 mins for set up and dismantling. Additional time will be counted towards negative points. Judges will be maintaining the clock.**
- 5) **General Entries should not exceed 6 minutes.**
- 7) Please Note: Cultural Program schedules will be final. We appreciate your understanding & patience in advance.
- 8) Entries are to be submitted via Registration link / form. No email submissions will be accepted. Registration forms are expected to be filled with complete details (including full name of the participant, age, if performing in any other performance). Photo copy of proof of age for each of the participants will be asked in case of inquiry or dispute.

- 9) No confetti's or loose materials are allowed on the stage. It could cause harms to the participants while performing. All choreographers / coordinators / Performers are required to clean up their props etc. after their performance is over.
- 10) Group leaders / Choreographers - please indicate on the registration form if any of your participants are part of other performances (include name of performances and full names of participants), in order to leave enough time for change of costumes.
- 11) Last date for submitting sound track is Aug 12<sup>th</sup> . Please email your MP3 to [cultural@iava.us](mailto:cultural@iava.us). Sound tracks only in MP3 form will be accepted. Choreographers are expected to bring back up sound track in Pen drive (in MP3 format) only ( NO CDS accepted)
- 12) Please make sure to submit your entry form at your earliest convenience as it will be first come first serve basis.
- 13) While emailing your requests/ sound tracks, Category (if any) please include the competition Entry name, Group name, choreographer name followed by the request title in the subject line. (Eg.: Flights of Fantasy: 5 to 8 yrs. – XYZ Group – John Smith – MP3 submission). Sound tracks should be in Mp3 only. Choreographers are required to bring back ups in pen drive only (NO CDs. Etc. Will be accepted.).
- 14) Choreographers along with all participants are required to report backstage, 30 mins before their scheduled performance time.
- Feel free to reach out to the cultural team at [cultural@iava.us](mailto:cultural@iava.us) for any questions you may have.