

CANADA'S NATIONAL UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL
August 3, 4, 5, 2018

TALENT COMPETITION
RULES & REGULATIONS

Entries for the CNUF Talent Competition will be accepted in the following categories:

- Dance
- Singing
- Recitation
- Choral Speech
- Violin
- Accordion
- Tsybaly
- Bandura

ENTRY FEES (DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES IS MAY 25, 2018. NO REFUNDS.)

Dance Categories:

Hopak	\$ 8.00 / dancer
Large Group (8+ dancers)	\$ 8.00 / dancer
Small Group (4-7 dancers)	\$ 8.00 / dancer
Trios	\$10.00 / dancer
Duets	\$10.00 / dancer
Solos	\$13.00 / dancer

Character Dancers: Must portray a story or character and may be a comedy or contemporary dance. Using a prop will not be sufficient.

Age Categories

6 years & under
7 – 9 years
10 – 12 years
13 – 15 years
16+ years

Dance Time Limits

Solos	Min	1.5	Max	2.0 Minutes
Duets	Min	2.0	Max	2.5 minutes
Trio	Min	2.0	Max	3.0 minutes
Group	Min	2.0	Max	4.0 minutes
Hopak	Min	4.0	Max	8.5 Minutes
Character	Min	2.0	Max	5.0 minutes

***Please Note:** *Entries will be penalized marks if time limits are violated. Dancers will be timed from the first movement of the dance to departure off the stage (not including bows).*

*1 Mark for 10 seconds over
2 Marks for 20 seconds over
3 Marks for 30 seconds over
4 Marks for 40 seconds over
Etc....*

Penalized marks may be adjusted and will be based on the discretion of the Adjudicator.

Singing, Recitation, Choral Speech, Instrumental

Group	\$ 10.00 / Performer
Duet	\$ 10.00 / Performer
Solo	\$13.00 / Performer

Age Categories

6 years & under
7 – 9 years
10 – 12 years
13 – 15 years
16 + years

MEDALS: (Medals will be awarded as follows):

Gold	90% - 100%
Silver	85% - 89%
Bronze	80% - 84%
Certificate of Participation	Less than 80%

First place will not automatically receive a gold medal: rather, the medal according to the mark attained. For example: Oksana – 89%, Maria 87%, and Luba 84%. Oksana placed first and was awarded the silver medal since her mark was within the silver range of marks. Maria fell into the silver range as well to receive a silver medal. Luba received a bronze medal since her mark fell into the bronze range.

COMPETITION

- Schedules will be sent once all registrations have been received and scheduled
- To ensure the Competition runs on schedule, Canada's National Ukrainian Festival Committee reserves the right to restrict the number of entries in each category. Entries will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Once a category has reached its capacity, no further entry will be accepted. The number of entries received by the entry deadline will determine the time of the competition.

TICKETS

- Performer(s) and Instructor(s) or (Person in charge) will receive entry to the grounds **only for Friday, August 3, 2018 and/or Saturday, August 4, 2018.** Instructor passes are based on the number of competitors (1 pass per 10 competitors, if needed).
- Additional passes can be purchased through Canada's National Ukrainian Festival office or directly online at www.cnuf.ca. Take advantage of the early-bird price on weekend passes from **December 4, 2017 through to March 30, 2018.**
- Children 12 and under are admitted free of charge when accompanied by an adult.

PARTICIPANTS

- Participants may enter in as many different classes, categories and/or regions as they wish. Participants may enter in the same category more than once; however, each entry must be of a different region.
- Dance instructors or dancers who dance regularly with pre-professional or semi-professional performing groups are not eligible for competition (i.e. Shumka, Rusalka, Cheremosh, Tavria, or Tryzub levels). Any other dancers performing on the CNUF Grandstand with a dance group are not eligible to participate in the talent competition.
- The top 4 (four) competitors on Friday and the top 4 (four) on Saturday will compete for the Board of Director's Choice Award immediately following the completion of the last session on the last day of the competitions. If your entry is chosen you are expected to be at the stage promptly or another entry will be chosen ... so, please remain at the festival square stage area until after the announcing of the top 4 (four) competitors for that day.

AGE CLASSIFICATION (All ages are as of August 3, 2018)

- A group is determined by the AVERAGE age of all members in the group to the nearest age group (i.e. if the average age is 10.49 years, the group will qualify for age group 10 years. If the average age is 10.5 years, the group will enter the age group of 11 years.)
- Individual birth dates of dance contestants must be included on the entry form. Dancers must be prepared to provide verification of age if requested by the Competition Committee.

MUSIC / WORDS

- All **dance** selections must be of Ukrainian origin.
- CD's, memory sticks, smart phones, laptops and i-pads are all accepted and can be used for competitions (please bring a back-up copy).
- Only CD's will be submitted at registration but registration must be notified of other media methods being used. All other media will be the responsibility of the dance instructor/designate to ensure the sound booth has the music for the performance on time.
- All media must be labeled before submission. Only one selection of music per CD.
- Selections for **singing and recitations** are those of your own choice, however, the selections should suit the age of the contestant. A copy of the selection (words and music) must be made available for the adjudicator.
- In the **singing** category, the contestant should be prepared with **TWO** selections, (at least one of them UKRAINIAN).
- In the **instrumental** category, the contestant should be prepared with **TWO** selections, (at least one of them UKRAINIAN) preferably of different time - slow and fast. A copy of the music must be made available for the adjudicator.

ADJUDICATION

- A panel of qualified people will adjudicate all categories. All entries will be awarded a mark by the adjudicator established strictly on his/her expert opinion. **ALL DECISIONS OF THE ADJUDICATOR ARE FINAL.**
- No one will discuss marks or comments with the adjudicator at any time. Any individuals choosing to ignore this rule will cause the disqualification of all the offending Dance School's entries.
- Any complaints, comments and/or concerns must be directed to the Festival Chairpersons.
- Appeal procedures will be available at the Registration Desk - \$ 25.00 per appeal.

INSTRUCTORS / DIRECTORS

- Instructor(s)/Director(s) only, will report to the Registration Desk to hand and sign in their class entry(s), with cued audio CD, one (1) hour prior to their performance. Only one piece of music per CD. If no music is handed in the entry will be disqualified.
- Instructor(s)/Director(s) only, are allowed to sign out the adjudication sheets, tapes, cued music and medals at the Medals Station.

GENERAL

- Canada's National Ukrainian Festival Inc. will not be held responsible for any injury to or damages suffered by participants attending the Festival. Participants shall hold harmless Canada's National Ukrainian Festival Inc. for all losses, claims, suits or damages that in any way relate to or result from participants' actions during the Festival. CNUF does not accept any responsibility for any lost or stolen items during the course of the Festival.
- All entries must be submitted no later than **May 25, 2018**. Any entries received after the deadline date **will not** be accepted.
- Videotaping of the participant's performance for personal use is allowed however is limited to their section of the performances only. Videotaping of other performing acts is not permitted.
- Absolutely no prompting by anyone, including instructors, is permitted or the competition entry will be disqualified.
- Instructors/Directors are responsible for their participant's punctuality and behavior at the facility at all times. Inappropriate behavior will not be tolerated and may cause disqualification.
- The Board of Directors reserves the right to alter any portion of the program if, and when necessary.
- Canada's National Ukrainian Festival reserves the right to use any photographs that may be taken during the talent competition.
- Stage dimensions: Mats approximately 16' x 25', Stage approximately 20' x 30'
- A water cooler is available back stage for competitor use only.
- Absolutely no alcohol allowed backstage at the festival square stage during the competitions. Any alcohol consumption will result in dismissal of performer(s) as well as forfeiture of any entry fee(s).

Forward entry forms, list of performers, summary forms and payment to:

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