



CANADA'S NATIONAL UKRAINIAN FESTIVAL AMATEUR TALENT COMPETITION RULES & REGULATIONS July 29, 2011

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

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| a) Dance | d) Choral Speech | g) Tsymbaly |
| b) Singing | e) Violin | h) Bandura |
| c) Recitation | f) Accordion | |

ENTRY FEES - DEADLINE FOR ALL ENTRIES IS JUNE 15, 2011. NO REFUNDS.

Dance Categories

Hopak	\$ 7.00/dancer
Large Grp 8+ dancers	\$ 7.00/dancer
Small Grp 4-7 dancers	\$ 7.00/dancer
Trios	\$ 9.00/dancer
Duets	\$ 9.00/dancer
Solos	\$12.00/dancer

Age Categories

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

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

DANCE TIME LIMITS

Solos	Min 1.5	Max 2.0 Minutes
Duets	Min 2.0	Max 2.5 minutes
Trio	Min 2.0	Max 2.5 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 five (5) 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).

Singing, Recitation, Choral Speech, Instrumental

Group	\$ 9.00/Performer
Duet	\$ 9.00/Performer
Solo	\$12.00/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.



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COMPETITION

- Confirmation packages and information 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

- Performers and instructors will receive entry to the grounds **only for Friday, July 29, 2011**. Instructor passes are based on the number of competitors (1 pass per 10 competitors, if needed).
- In the event that a larger than usual number of entries are received, the Amateur Talent competition will continue on Saturday, July 30 and/or Sunday, July 31, 2011. All entries must be prepared to compete on any of the days of the festival – no preference will be given.
- Additional passes can be purchased through Canada's National Ukrainian Festival office. Take advantage of the early-bird prices on weekend passes until April 1, 2011.
- Children 13 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).
- **The top 5 (five) competitors will compete for the Board of Director's Choice Awards immediately following the completion of the last session. 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 5 competitors.**

AGE CLASSIFICATION (All ages as of July 1st, 2011)

- 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 selections must be of Ukrainian origin. **Only CD's will be used for on stage competitions (please bring a back up copy).** All media must be labeled before submission. Only one selection of music per CD.
- Contestants shall not repeat selections presented by them in a previous year's competition
- Selections for **singing and recitations** are those of your own choice, however, the selections should be chosen as fairly as possible to 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 movements. 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 - \$ 20.00 per appeal.



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INSTRUCTORS/DIRECTORS – please note the following

- Instructor(s)/Director(s) only, will report to the Registration Desk to hand and sing in their class entry(s), with cued audio CD, one (1) hour prior to their performance. Only one piece of music per CD
- 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 June 15, 2011. Any entries after June 15th will not be accepted.
- Videotaping of the participants 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 competitor will be disqualified**
- Teachers/Instructors 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 amateur talent competition.
- 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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