

The 12th Annual *Children Tahitian Dance Competition*
July 1 - 2, 2011



Rules and regulations for Groups only

Based on their knowledge and experience on Tahitian dancing or “Ori Ote’a”, these rules & regulations have been designed as guidelines by which the Judges will measure each **GROUP’S PERFORMANCE**.

1. **Jr. GROUP OTE’A and Sr. GROUP OTE’A.**

- An Ote’a presentation must include: Ote’a amui with an Aparima, a Pa’o’a and a Hivinau.
- A Group leader or Ra’atira may enter only 1 group Ote’a in the Jr. and 1 group Ote’a in the Sr. Division.
- **OR, a Group leader may enter a combined group of Jr. & Sr. ages 3-18 yrs old. In that case, they must compete ONLY in the Taure’are’a or Sr. Division..**
- A combine group of 15 boys and girls, or 15 boys only, or 15 girls only, is the standard count requirement to enter an Ote’a group.
- Please submit a brief written outline (Fax) of your Ote’a presentation. Otherwise, the Judges will do their best in their judgment.
- **Time Limit:** (20) Twenty minutes maximum with no minimum time requirement.
- **Penalty:** (10) Ten points deduction per minute over.
- **Please refer to the Judges score sheet for Ote’a.**

2. **Jr. GROUP AHUPURUTU, and Sr. GROUP AHUPURUTU**

- Ahupurotu or Aparima will be judged as 1 & the same category & not as 2 separate categories.
- A Group leader may enter only 1 group Ahupurotu in the Jr. and 1 group in the Sr. division.
- OR, a Group leader may enter a combined group of Jr. & Sr. ages 3-18 yrs old. In that case, they must compete ONLY in the Taure’are’a or Sr. Division..
- Time limit: **(7) Seven minutes maximum with no minimum time requirement.**
Penalty: (10) Ten points per minute over.
- Ahupurotu participants must wear a **one piece ankle length dress**. The slit on the side cannot be higher than the knees.
- 12 dancers is the minimum requirement for the **Jr. & Sr. Ahupurotu** group.
- Please refer to the Judges score sheet for the **Jr. & Sr. Ahupurotu** group.

3. **GENERAL RULES:**

- All participants must be within their respective age groups in order to be eligible to participate. If necessary, age proof may be required.
- All solo participants are required to check in and pick-up their **competition tag number** on Friday July 16 at the Samoan Chief’s Hut from 6-7 pm
- **House drummers** will be provided for all solo participants. Dancing will be impromptu. (Refer to Judges scoresheet).

- Time limit: (1 ½) One and half minute.
- Pre-registration by mail is highly recommended. The deadline is to have it postmarked no later than **June 23, 2010.**
- Your registration must include your entrance fee payment in order to confirm your participation. **No personal checks will be accepted. Only money order or Cashier's check payable to Polynesian Cultural Center Tahitian event.**
- This competition is open to Pupu Ori (Halau), Dance Companies, Cultural Organizations, and Studios.
- Independent dancers are also welcome.
- Costumes will also be judged accordingly as part of your presentation.
- To the solo participants, please keep head pieces and necklaces to a minimum, so the actual dance performance can be better exhibited and judged.

Note: Should you have any other questions, please email me at: mariterr@polynesia.com, or fax me at: (808)-293-3106 or write to:

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