Student and Youth Show in Celebration of Macao's Return to the Motherland cum International Youth Dance Festival
(Rules and Regulations for Local Dance Groups)

Introduction

The "Student and Youth Show in Celebration of Macao's Return to the Motherland cum International Youth Dance Festival" will be held in 2024 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of the founding of the People's Republic of China and the 25th anniversary of Macao's return to the motherland. It also aims at supporting the SAR's development into "One Centre, One Platform, One Base", creating favourable conditions for the city's adequate economic diversification, showing the public and youth in different parts of the world the enthusiasm of Macao's youth for the celebrations for Macao's return to the motherland, demonstrating the great significance of the successful practice of "One Country, Two Systems" in Macao, as well as providing young dance enthusiasts from different countries and regions with a platform to build friendships, have cultural exchanges, and showcase diverse dances.

Date

From 19 to 25 July 2024

Application

1. **Age Limit**
   All performers must be between 15 and 35 years old (born between 1989 and 2009)

2. **Number of Participants**
   A maximum of 25 people in each dance group (including a maximum of 5 accompanying staff)

3. **Application Deadline**
   From now until 26 of January, 2024 (Friday).

4. **Application Method**
   Application is made online via the "Student and Youth Show in Celebration of Macao's Return to the Motherland cum International Youth Dance Festival" webpage under the DSEDJ website at www.dsedj.gov.mo. Applicants have to first create an account and obtain an activation code for application*.
   *Log in to the account, fill in and upload all necessary information and apply for the event. Successful applicants will receive a confirmation email and automatically enter the selection stage.

Selection

5. For diversified performances, the organiser reserves the right to select the appropriate dance groups to participate.

6. **Confirmed Invitation**
   Selected groups are expected to receive a confirmed invitation in the first quarter of 2024.

Performances

7. All dance groups will be arranged to participate in indoor and outdoor performances and a parade. The detailed requirements for the performances are as follows:
   7.1 Indoor performance (to be held at night): performance time for each dance group should not exceed 8 minutes;
   7.2 Outdoor performance (to be held in the evening): performance time for each dance group

should not exceed 5 minutes;

7.3 Parade (to be held in the evening): the whole parade lasts for about 1.5 hours, with 2 to 3 performance spots along the route. The performance time at each spot should be no longer than 2 minutes.

8. Costumes

Dancers must wear performance costumes during formal performances. If the costumes are considered as containing political elements or failing to comply with the event arrangements, the organiser has the right to not allow the dance group to wear the costumes concerned in the formal performances without advance notice.

9. Scenery and Props

All dance groups must prepare their own scenery and props for their performances. If the scenery and props are considered as containing political elements or failing to comply with the event arrangements, the organiser has the right to not allow the dance group to wear the costumes concerned in the formal performances without advance notice.

Relevant Activities

To achieve the goal of "building friendships and having youth exchanges", all local participating dance groups will be arranged to take part in the following activities:

10. **Artistic Performance Workshops**

The organiser will provide venues for non-local dance groups to host artistic performance workshops during the event, offering participants an opportunity to learn and exchange with each other different dance skills and show their talents.

10.1 Duration of each workshop: 2 hours

10.2 Target participants: All dancers participating in the "Student and Youth Show in Celebration of Macao's Return to the Motherland cum International Youth Dance Festival".

11. **Cultural Tour**

The organiser will arrange for local dance groups to accompany non-local groups in their tour to local cultural attractions in order to show hospitality as a host and enhance communication and exchanges between local youth and their peers from around the world.

Support from the Organiser

12. **Insurance**

The Education and Youth Development Bureau (DSEDJ) is only responsible for purchasing medical insurance for members of the dance groups to cover any medical expenses incurred from accidents that occur during their participation in the activities arranged by the organiser in Macao. The dance groups may purchase extra insurance according to their needs.

13. **Performance fee**

Each participating dance group will be granted a performance fee of MOP 8,000.

Dance Groups Must:

14. Perform according to the arranged programmes; additions, omissions or changes are not allowed to be made to the programmes.

15. Attend all relevant activities arranged by the organiser.
16. Follow the arrangements and instructions from staff of the organiser.
17. Be punctual for all activities; late arrival or early leave is not allowed.
18. Refrain from organising any public political or religious activities during the event.
19. Cooperate with the organiser in making the event a success.

Rights of the DSEDJ

20. Film and photograph the performances of all dance groups and related activities and publish relevant materials.
21. Cancel or change the event schedule or programmes if necessary.
22. The DSEDJ reserves the right of final decision on all matters related to the "Student and Youth Show in Celebration of Macao's Return to the Motherland cum International Youth Dance Festival" and the right of final interpretation on the rules and regulations.

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