

Fine Arts Festival

May 13 & 14, 2011

Registration Information

New This year!!!

Female vocal solo and short sermon are now split up into 2 different categories: Jr and Sr according to age. Jr is for 6-8 graders, Sr. is for 9-12 graders.

Dance now has 4 categories: Worship dance solo and group, Step/urban solo and group.

These are just examples of the new rules for this year so make sure you read EVERYTHING in the rule book. These are some great changes!

- 1). **All participants must pre-register for the early discount registration by Monday April 21st.** The registration must be **received** at the District Office by this date, not postmarked. The final date for **late registration** to be **received** is **May 2nd**. **No entries will be accepted after this date.** There will be no refunds issued.
- 2). Please send **church checks only** ([No personal checks please...](#)) made out to **SCDC**.
- 3). Download all the **paperwork** and the **rules book** from <http://faf.ag.org> all forms and appropriate fees to:

**Youth Ministries
17951 Cowan
Irvine, CA 92614**

- 4). The early discount registration fee is **\$45.00** for each registrant which includes participation in one category and a meal ticket for lunch on Saturday. Each additional category is \$5.00. Registration must be received by **April 21st** for the **early discount**. For registrations received **April 22nd through May 2nd** the late registration fee will be **\$55.00** for each registrant with each additional category at \$5.00. A meal ticket for lunch is also included.
- 5). Additional lunch tickets may be purchased in advance only by **May 9th** for **\$6.50**.
- 6). **Youth Pastor/Director:** Please photocopy the Individual and Group Registration forms...one for every registrant from your church. Make sure that all forms are complete and mail the original forms and the fees to the Youth Ministries office.
- 7). This is a **two day festival** and **attendance on both days is mandatory!** There can be no exceptions. We have so many entries that we can not assign special times to avoid conflict with other activities that your students have.
- 8). Location: Newport Mesa Church/ Vanguard University
55 Fair Dr.
Costa Mesa, CA 92614

Check in will begin on Friday evening at 5:00 p.m. Orientation will begin promptly at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary followed by category presentations. We will conclude at approximately 9:00 p.m.

Saturday we begin at 8:00 a.m. There will be a break at noon for lunch.

Our Celebration Service will begin when all presentations have been completed. This service will conclude our event at approximately 6:00 p.m.

- 9). Programs will be available at check in on Friday. The order of performances for each category as well as the location for each category will be listed. **These will not be available ahead of time to individuals. Competition times will not be given out by phone or any other means prior to the event.** Please make sure your students and the parents are aware of this.

- 10). The Youth Pastor/Fine Arts Director will assign group names and verify the correct category has been selected. A preliminary list will be sent to the director prior to the event for any necessary corrections.
- 11). You are able to participate at the District Level if you do not attend an A/G church but you will not be able to advance to the national level.
- 12). All visual art and graphic art, writing categories, short film, web site design, photography, t-shirt design, and children's literature are **judged prior** the District Festival and must be received by **Monday, May 2nd**. Items not received by this date will not be judged and will be returned at the festival. All other items will be on display at the end of the District Festival.
- 13). On the District level we do our best to duplicate equipment that will be provided at the National Festival, however this is not always possible. Please note the following:

A drum set will be provided for the following categories:

Percussion Solo, Traditional
Christian Band
Worship Team
Instrument Ensemble, Contemporary

A drum set will be provided for Choir **only if requested** two weeks prior to the festival.

A second drum set will be provided for Percussion Group, Traditional **only if requested** two weeks prior to the festival.

If your church is able to provide a drum set for the event please contact the Youth Ministries office.

A keyboard will be provided for the following categories:

Instrumental Ensemble, Contemporary
Christian Band
Worship Team
Rap
Songwriting

If your church is able to provide a keyboard, stand and pedal for the event please contact the Youth Ministries office.

We will only be providing CD players. For the District Festival do not bring MP3s.

- 14). For all writing categories including children's literature entries and required copies will be mailed or hand delivered to Youth Ministries.
- 15). National Fine Arts information for Detroit housing and more go to:
<http://faf.ag.org/>
- 16). Hotels for the District Festival:

Embassy Suites/Santa Ana (714)241-3800

Best Western/Santa Ana (714) 432-8888

Quality Suites/Santa Ana (714) 957-9200

Please note that it is mandatory for each participant to read the National fine Arts Festival rules book. THERE ARE SIGNIFICANT CHANGES!!! When they sign their application they are stating that they have read the rules. It is critical that they are aware of the specifications for each category they enter.

At <http://faf.ag.org> there is an interview with Christian artist Natalie Grant that is worth watching and also a promo clip that you can download and show to your students.