#### NATIONAL EISTEDFOD YOUNG PERFORMER AWARDS COMPETITION

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS 2020**

- By entering this competition the participant accepts the rules of the competition as provided below and in supplementary documents on the website.
- Only diploma level candidates in the National Eisteddfod of South Africa in 2019 (or similar achievements in other festivals and competition) may enter (excluding all reading and unprepared / improvised categories).
- Participants are allowed to enter multiple entries in the genre and category for which they have qualified. E.g. a participant that received a diploma for a Narrative poem in the Poetry category may also enter an of the other poetry categories. These possibilities will only be displayed when submitting an entry online
- Grades will in future refer to the school grade as in the current year.
- Entry fees will be determined by the date of submission.
- Entry fees / proof of payment should accompany all entries.
- Entry fees are NOT refundable.
- The decision of the adjudicators is final and NO correspondence in this regard can be allowed.
- All categories will be grouped and scheduled according to the grade code.
- Two options are available for adjudication in the FIRST ROUND:
  - LIVE PERFORMANCE: A participant will be required to perform live at the Roodepoort Theatre according to the schedule of events that will be provided.
  - RECORDED VIDEO ENTRY: A participant will be required to submit a VIDEO recording of his/her performance for adjudication (first round only). Subsequent rounds will require a live performance.

#### LIVE PERFORMANCE:

- First Round *live performances*, Quarter Final, Semi-Final and Final Events will be scheduled and adjudicated at the Roodepoort Theatre (*Main Theatre* and *Basement Theatre*).
- Due to the nature of this competition, **no changes** in the schedule can be allowed.
- A panel of adjudicators will adjudicate all events and recordings. The feedback for "live performances" will be handed out at the end of each session at the venue.

#### **VIDEO RECORDED ENTRIES:**

- Recorded entries allow talented performers anywhere in the country to participate in the first round.
- A panel of adjudicators will adjudicate all recordings.
- The feedback for "recorded performances" will be e-mailed / faxed to the participants.
- Participants should take careful note of the requirements for recorded entries. The requirements for recording a
  video entry is available on the NEA website. (www.eisteddfod.co.za).
- Any participant that proceeds to a next round will have to perform "live" at the Roodepoort Theatre.
- All video recorded entries should reach the NEA not later than 1 March 2020.

### **ADJUDICATION PROCESS:**

First Round: 17 February – 11 March 2020

A panel of adjudicators will adjudicate all entries at the Roodepoort Theatre.

• Quarter Final Round: 12 – 19 March 2020

A limited number of participants will be identified during the First Round for participation in the **Quarter Final Round.** Invitations to these participants will be forwarded to cell numbers/e-mail addresses as provided on the entry forms. It is therefore important to ensure that this information is provided with great care.

Semi-Final Round: 13 & 15 May 2020

The Semi-Final Round will be presented in a different format this year with audience participation. It will be presented as follows in 2 sessions per day: 15 May - Speech and Drama (15:00) & Dance (19:00); 16 May - Contemporary (15:00) & Classical Music (19:00). The overall junior and senior winners of all sections will be announced at each of these semi-final rounds.

Final Event: 29 May 2020

The overall junior and senior winners of all sections will finally compete on 29 May at the Roodepoort Theatre.

# RESCHEDULING OF EVENTS:

• The rescheduling of any event is subject to very specific conditions. Kindly refer to the website for more info.

ELECTRONIC TRANSFER / DIRECT BANK DEPOSITO to National Eisteddfod Academy ABSA cheque account:

Account number: 404 747 8448

Branch code: 334-705

Type: Cheque account

It is of vital importance to provide the participant's name and Unique Participant Number or the name of a large group (as provided on the entry form) as reference when making electronic payments. Kindly fax proof of transfer to 011 787 3534.

All entries should be submitted with proof of payment. No entry can be processed without proof of payment.

Please Note: The participation schedule will be available ONLINE on 11 Feb 2020.