

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH DANCE FESTIVAL 2018

(Rules and Regulations for Non-local Dance Groups)

Introduction

As one of the most significant international events in Macao, the biennial International Youth Dance Festival has provided a platform for young dance lovers from around the world to cultivate friendship, exchange cultures and display diverse dances. Based on the successful experience in the past, the Education and Youth Affairs Bureau (DSEJ) of the Macao Special Administrative Region Government is going to hold the International Youth Dance Festival in 2018.

Date

20th to 26th July 2018

- Date of arrival: 19th July 2018 (Thursday)
- Date of departure: 27th July 2018 (Friday)

Application

1. Age Limits

All performers should be between 15 and 29 years old (born between 1989 and 2003).

2. Number of Participants

The number of participants in each dance group should not exceed 25 persons, including a maximum of 5 staff members.

3. Application Deadline

From now until 31st October 2017 (Tuesday)

4. Application Method

Application can be made online. Before the application deadline, visit the website of the International Youth Dance Festival (<http://www.dsej.gov.mo/~webdsej/www/activity/dance2018/index-e.php>), enter the information to get an activation code and register with the code*.

* After filling in and uploading all the necessary information, a confirmation email for successful registration will be received and the selection procedures will be started.

Selection

5. In order to present diverse performances to the audience, the organiser reserves the right to select the appropriate groups to participate in the Festival.

6. Confirmation Letter

Under normal circumstances, confirmation letters will be sent in January 2018.

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Performances

7. Each dance group will be required to participate in indoor performances, outdoor performances and a parade. Details of the performances are as follows:
 - 7.1 Indoor performances (to be held at night): the dance of each group should be within 8 minutes in length;
 - 7.2 Outdoor performances (to be held in the evening): the dance of each group should be within 5 minutes in length;
 - 7.3 Parade (to be held in the evening): the parade will last for about 1.5 hours, with 2 to 3 show points along the route. The time for performing at each show point will be no more than 2 minutes.

8. Requirements of Costumes

During actual performance, dancers have to wear their national/ traditional costumes or performance costumes. If the costumes are considered to have violated the principles of the International Youth Dance Festival or have carried political elements, the organiser reserves the right not to allow the dancers to wear the costumes during actual performance without advance notice.

9. Scenery and Props

All dance groups have to prepare their own scenery and props for each performance. If the scenery and props are considered to have violated the principles of the International Youth Dance Festival or have carried political elements, the organiser reserves the right to restrict the use of the scenery and props without advance notice.

Activities

To achieve the goal of “cultivating friendship and youth exchange”, the organiser will provide the following activities for the dance groups of the International Youth Dance Festival:

10. Artistic Performance Workshops

The organiser will provide venues for non-local dance groups to hold artistic performance workshops, so as to provide them with opportunities to exchange with and learn from each other, as well as to show their talents. The organiser will provide venues and basic audio equipment, while dance groups have to prepare other necessary materials by themselves.

10.1 Duration of each workshop: 2 hours

10.2 Target audience: All dancers participating in the International Youth Dance Festival

11. Cultural tour

A complimentary cultural tour will be arranged by the organiser for all dance groups.

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Support from the Organiser

12. Transport

- 12.1 All dance groups are to be responsible for the travel arrangements and expenses to and from Macao.
- 12.2 The organiser will provide local transport services for all dance groups to the venues of activities arranged by the organiser during the Festival.
- 12.3 The organiser will provide fixed amount of air ticket allowance to the selected dance groups, which must meet the requirements for age and number of participants as stated in the Rules and Regulations.

Region of dance group	Air ticket allowance (per person, MOP)	Value for reference* (USD)
Asia	\$3,000.00	\$375.00
Europe	\$7,500.00	\$937.50
Oceania	\$5,800.00	\$725.00
North America	\$7,000.00	\$875.00
South America	\$11,000.00	\$1,375.00
Africa	\$10,000.00	\$1,250.00

*Note: The USD value listed in the table above is only for reference. The actual amount to be received will be subject to the bank's prevailing exchange rate as of the date and time of processing.

- 12.4 All non-local dance groups are required to present their original air tickets and boarding passes, as well as the information of the account used to receive the air ticket allowance for checking purposes and issuing the allowance. The organiser reserves the right not to issue the allowance to the whole group or an individual group member in case of failure to show the above-mentioned documents.
- 12.5 Air ticket allowance will be issued through money transfer to the bank account of the dance groups only after the non-local dance groups have arrived in Macao and have submitted all the documents listed in point 12.4. The amount to be issued will be determined by the actual number of group members who have arrived in Macao.

13. Accommodation

The organiser will provide twin-room or triple-room accommodation to all non-local dance groups for 8 nights (between 19th and 27th July 2018).

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14. Meal Allowance

During the eight-day Festival (the arrival day and the departure day together are counted as one day), each member of non-local dance groups will receive a daily meal allowance of MOP330.00 (around USD41.00). The organiser reserves the right to determine the amount of allowance according to the actual period of stay of each member.

15. Insurance

Each participant is required to arrange his/her own travel medical insurance during his/her stay in Macao. The organiser will only bear the medical insurance cost incurred by the participant due to accidents occurring while participating in activities arranged by the organiser.

Rules to Be Observed by Dance Groups

The participating dance groups should

16. follow the scheduled programmes; addition, cancellation or alteration of programmes is not allowed.
17. attend all relevant activities arranged by the organiser.
18. stay in Macao during the Festival; the dance group which fails to do so should bear all possible consequences.
19. follow the arrangements and instructions given by staff members of the organiser.
20. be punctual for all activities; late arrival or early leave is not allowed.
21. avoid holding or participating in any public political or religious activities during the Festival.
22. cooperate with the organiser to achieve a successful Festival.

Rights of the DSEJ

The DSEJ reserves the right to

23. film and take photos of the performances and related activities, as well as to publish relevant materials.
24. cancel or change the activity schedule or programmes if necessary.
25. make final decisions on all matters related to the Festival and final interpretation of the terms in the Rules and Regulations.

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