

GROUP LEADER REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS

It is the participant's responsibility to ensure that all materials are submitted correctly and postmarked on time; however, there is to be only ONE Group Registration Form per church. Participant forms must be sent in with the completed Church's Group Registration Form, payment, and Payment Form. Individual registrations are not accepted.



HOW TO REGISTER:

(See box below for instructions on submitting registrations for Creative Writing, Short Film, and Website entries. They are due by **January 16, 2012**)

★ **DEADLINE: January 30th, 2012.** NO registrations will be accepted after the **postmarked** date of **1.30.12**

Mail the following to your **Sectional FAF Coordinator** (*see enclosed list for address*) in **one envelope**:

1. Complete a **Participant Registration** form for each and every participant from your church/youth ministry
2. Complete ONE church **Group Registration** form
3. Have ONE **church check** (made payable to "PennDel District") made out for the total amount.
4. **TYPE** a **list on a separate piece of paper** with every participant's first and last name listed.

All registration forms must be typed or written very neatly. Incomplete and ineligible forms will be charged a \$10 fee or may not be accepted into the festival. All registration forms are fielded to make it easier for you to type out the registrations and avoid errors and fees due to poor handwriting. Once you have typed in your information, print several copies. You will not be able to save the completed form on your computer.

Make copies to send with your registration and several copies for your own reference.



IMPORTANT DETAILS FOR REGISTERING ALL CREATIVE WRITING, SHORT FILM, & WEB PAGE DESIGN:

★ **DEADLINE: January 16th, 2012.** ALL Creative Writing and Short Film DVDs must be sent in, and any website entry must be online by January 16th. **No** Writing Division, Short Film or website entries will be accepted into the festival if they are not submitted by January 16th.

- **Creative Writing Division entries:** 4 copies must be mailed to your Sectional Fine Arts Coordinator with a Participant Registration form attached **to each copy** postmarked by January 16th.
- **Short Film entries:** 4 copies of the DVD along with 4 copies of the Participant Registration form must be mailed to your Sectional Fine Arts Coordinator along with Participant/Group Registration forms postmarked by January 16th.
- **Website entries:** Web sites must be online, and send its URL location with an Participant/Group Registration form postmarked by January 16th. Include 4 copies of the Participant Registration form.

Do not bring any Creative Writing, Short Film, or Website entries to the Festival.

If the above entries are not submitted prior to January 16th, **they will not be evaluated.**

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN FINE ARTS? Only students currently enrolled in grades 6-12 may participate in the Fine Arts Festival. Fine Arts is open to any student (grades 6-12) who is a Christian and attends an Assemblies of God church and/or youth ministry. Students age 19-23 may participate in Kappa Tau: College Fine Arts at the National Fine Arts Festival.

WHAT IS THE THEME FOR FINE ARTS THIS YEAR, AND HOW DOES THAT IMPACT MY ENTRIES?

Each year a theme is selected for Fine Arts. The theme for Fine Arts Festival 2012 is "Relentless After the One" (see graphic to the right). Most entries require that you incorporate this theme in your presentation. All Writing Division, Drama Solo/Ensemble, Graphic Design, Short Sermon/Spanish Short Sermon, Spoken Word, Children's Lesson Solo/Group, and T-shirt Design entries must include the theme. You don't need to incorporate the theme into vocal and instrumental divisions. See the Official Rule Book for more info.



HOW MANY CATEGORIES CAN I ENTER? There are no longer entry limit guidelines. Students may enter as many categories per Division as they wish. However, students may not enter the **same** category of a Division more than once.

HOW DO I GET A RULE BOOK? The Fine Arts Festival 2012 Official Rule Book comes from the National Fine Arts office and contains detailed information about each category, such as rules/guidelines for that specific division. Each participant is responsible to read and agree to abide by the rules listed in the Rule Book. If you need a rule book, you can request a copy by calling Gospel Publishing House (GPH) at 1-800-641-4310 and requesting item #731-404, or you can download it for free at penndelyouth.com

WHAT RECENT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE THAT I SHOULD KNOW OF REGARDING FINE ARTS? The following changes apply to the Fine Arts Festival:

1. Substitution allowances have been changed to the following:

- Small Groups (one to four participants) are allowed one substitution.
- Large Groups (five to ten participants) are allowed two substitutions.
- Choir is allowed three substitutions.
- Groups of one to ten are allowed one substitution if the original group had one to four participants; two substitutions if the original group had five to ten participants. The original group is understood to be the group members that participated at the district Festival. If a student registered for but did not participate in a group at the district Festival, he/she will not be counted in the original group.

2. Click tracks, metronomes, or other rhythmic stability assistance devices or technology are disallowed.

3. Framing, other than matte board, is no longer permitted in the Art Division categories.

4. "Mounting" is no longer required for entries in the Visual Art, Three Dimensional category.

5. Scripture reference must be cited with all scripture quotations or readings in Short Sermon categories.

6. Spoken Word is now an official category in the Communication Division.

7. Step/Urban Solo/Troupe is divided into the categories of Step Solo/Troupe and Urban Solo/Troupe within the Dance Division.

8. The Lyrical genre within the Worship Dance categories is renamed "Contemporary."

9. Human Video Ensemble, Spanish is an official category in the Drama Division.

10. Dramatized Quoting is a new category in the Exhibition Division.

11. Instrumental Ensemble, Contemporary is an official category in the Instrumental Division.

12. Keyboard Solo is renamed Piano Solo. Piano is the only approved instrument.

13. Vocal Ensemble, Spanish is an official category in the Vocal Division.

DISCLAIMER: *this is not an all inclusive list. Each participant is responsible to read, understand, and abide by ALL of the information and changes listed in the official 2012 Fine Arts Festival Rule Book.*

HOW DO I CHECK IN THE DAY OF THE FESTIVAL? Upon arrival at the festival, one responsible person from each church will check in all participants. He/she will be asked to check for correct spelling, note any emergency substitutions, and alert the registrar of any participants withdrawing from the festival (scratches). He/she will then be given a schedule for each participant. There is no individual check-in.

IS THERE A DRESS CODE? There is no specific dress code for any category; however, modest attire is **required** for all entries.

WHAT SHOULD I BRING TO SECTIONALS? To be prepared, bring a CD/MP3 player with speakers for you or your students to rehearse with, original and copies of music, scripts, modest clothes and shoes, a watch, and money for lunch.

HOW ARE THE ENTRIES EVALUATED? Three qualified evaluators, chosen for their education, expertise, and impartiality will evaluate each presentation by using the following general criteria: Selection, Communication, Presentation and Technique, and Effectiveness. More specific criteria and guidelines for each category can be found at www.faf.ag.org

HOW WILL I KNOW IF I HAVE ADVANCED TO DISTRICTS? Only presentations which receive a **SUPERIOR** or **EXCELLANT** at the Sectional Fine Arts Festival are eligible for the District Fine Arts Festival.

WHEN AND WHERE WILL SECTIONALS BE HELD? See the 2012 Coordinators and Festival Locations list for the SFAF location in your Section. If you are not sure of your section, ask your pastor.

WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE DISTRICT LEVEL OF FINE ARTS BE HELD?

Dates: April 4-6, 2012

Where: Bongiorno Conference Center, Carlisle, PA (for the Festival) and the Giant Center, Hershey, PA (for the Awards Celebration)

For more information visit: www.penndeyouth.com



WHEN AND WHERE WILL THE NATIONAL LEVEL OF FINE ARTS BE HELD?

Dates: August 6-10, 2012

Place: Louisville, Kentucky

Deadline to Register: May 24, 2012 (no exceptions to this deadline are ever given under any circumstance)

For more information visit: www.faf.ag.org

I LOST MY INFORMATION, WHAT DO I DO? All of the Sectional Fine Arts Festival information and forms will be available for you to download at www.penndeyouth.com

I STILL HAVE QUESTIONS. HELP! For further questions, **contact your Sectional Fine Arts Festival Coordinator** (see the 2012 Coordinators and Festival Locations list.) *If your coordinator is unable to assist you, you can contact Marion Holt, the PennDel District Fine Arts Coordinator, at (724)972-1756 or agfinearts@aol.com*