

# fine arts

## 2018 Sectional Fine Arts Festival

Pennsylvania-Delaware District

Saturday, February 17, 2018

Location & Times: *see enclosed list*


### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This information is also available at [www.penndeityouth.com/finearts](http://www.penndeityouth.com/finearts)

#### 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:


 **DEADLINE: January 25, 2018.** NO registrations will be accepted after the **postmarked** date of **January 25, 2018**

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 in alphabetical order by last name.

**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, MINI SAGA, & PROMO VIDEO

 **DEADLINE: January 18, 2018.** NO Writing Division, Short Film, Mini Saga or Promo Video entries will be accepted if they are not submitted by January 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018.

- **Creative Writing Division entries:** **4 copies** of the entry along with **4 copies** of the Participant Registration must be mailed to your Sectional Fine Arts Coordinator with a Participant Registration form attached to **each copy** postmarked by January 18<sup>th</sup>.
- **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 attached to **each copy** postmarked by January 18<sup>th</sup>.
- **Mini Saga entries:** **4 copies** of the entry along with **4 copies** of the Participant Registration must be mailed to your Sectional Fine Arts Coordinator with a Participant Registration form attached to **each copy** postmarked by January 18<sup>th</sup>.
- **Promo Video entries:** **4 copies** of the entry along with **4 copies** of the Participant Registration must be mailed to your Sectional Fine Arts Coordinator with a Participant Registration form attached to **each copy** post marked by January 18<sup>th</sup>.

**Do not** bring any Creative Writing, Short Film, Mini Saga, or Promo Video entries to the Festival. If the above entries are not submitted prior to January 18<sup>th</sup>, **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 in good standing with a local AG church or an officially recognized Cooperative Fellowship church and/or youth ministry.

**ARE THERE RULES ABOUT THE MUSIC I CAN SELECT FOR MY CATEGORY?** The goal of Fine Arts in the PennDel District is to develop ministry gifts in our students. We believe the most effective way to accomplish this goal is to eliminate the use of secular music from our Festivals. If a secular song is chosen, you will be disqualified from that category.

**HOW MANY CATEGORIES CAN I ENTER?** There is no longer an entry limit guideline. 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 2018 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 [faf.ag.org](http://faf.ag.org).

**IS THERE A SNOW MAKE-UP DATE?** Because of the complexity of scheduling and planning the Fine Arts Festival, rescheduling becomes impossible.

## WHAT RECENT CHANGES HAVE BEEN MADE THAT I SHOULD KNOW OF REGARDING FINE ARTS?

1. The following categories have had rule changes:
  - Songwriting - rules regarding accompaniment and lyric sheets
  - Songwriting, Modern Hymn - rules regarding accompaniment and lyric sheets
  - Art - rules regarding framing
  - Dance - rules regarding apparel and presentation time limits
  - Writing and Film Categories - delivery instructions have changed
  - Flash Fiction - new word count rule
  - American Sign Language categories - new presentation rules
2. For NATIONAL FINE ARTS ONLY! Submission guidelines have been changed for writing and film categories. We no longer use a pre-festival upload system. All writing and film entries for the NFAF must be hand-delivered to the Art/Film/Writing check-in booth by the student or a representative of the student following the completion of on-site check in on Monday, July 30, 2018, between 9:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. For more information on the number of entries for each category please see the individual category rules.
3. There has been a name change to First Person Essay. It is now called Creative Fiction/Memoir.

**HOW DO I CHECK IN THE DAY OF THE FESTIVAL?** Upon arrival to 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 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](http://www.faf.ag.org)

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

**ANYTHING ELSE I SHOULD KNOW?** Be sure to save ALL CERTIFICATES, Sectional, District & National as these can be used as proof of participation and if eligible for Fine Arts Scholarships offered by Assemblies of God Schools.

**WHEN AND WHERE WILL SECTIONALS BE HELD?** See the 2018 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:** March 28-30, 2018

**Where:** Christian Life Assembly, 2645 Lisburn Road, Camp Hill, PA 17011 (for the Festival)  
Giant Center, 550 W Hersheypark Dr, Hershey, PA (for the Awards Celebration)

**For more information visit:** [penndeyouth.com/finearts](http://penndeyouth.com/finearts)

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

**Dates:** July 30-August 3, 2018

**Place:** George R Brown Convention Center, 1001 Avenida De Las Americas, Houston, TX 77010

**Deadline to Register:** Postmark/fax deadline is May 18, 2018. Online registration closes June 1, 2018. See pages 12- 14 for complete detailed information. (No exceptions to this deadline are ever given under any circumstance). For more information visit: [www.houston18.ag.org](http://www.houston18.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: [penndeyouth.com/finearts](http://penndeyouth.com/finearts).

**I STILL HAVE QUESTIONS. HELP!** For further questions, **contact your Sectional Fine Arts Festival Coordinator** (see the 2018 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 [aqfinearts@aol.com](mailto:aqfinearts@aol.com) or [holtmd@upmc.edu](mailto:holtmd@upmc.edu).*