

fine arts

2019 Sectional Fine Arts Festival

Pennsylvania-Delaware District

Saturday, February 16, 2019

Location & Times: *see enclosed list*


IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This information is also available at www.pennhelyouth.com

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 24, 2019.** NO registrations will be accepted after the **postmarked** date of **January 24, 2019**

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.

IMPORTANT DETAILS FOR REGISTERING ALL CREATIVE WRITING, SHORT FILM, MINI SAGA, & PROMO VIDEO

 **DEADLINE: January 17, 2019.** NO Writing Division, Short Film, Mini Saga or Promo Video entries will be accepted if they are not submitted by January 17th, 2019.

- **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**.
- **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**.
- **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**.
- **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**.

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 17th, **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 2019 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.

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 location for the 2019 National Fine Arts Festival is Orlando, FL.
Location: Orange County Convention Center
Housing: Visit <http://orlando19.ag.org/Details>. Housing opens on October 1, 2018.
2. The “Content” section of the rulebook is significantly clarified. Read page 20
3. The following divisions and categories have had rule changes. See the individual division and category rules for details.
Art Division - Credit line requirements are expanded. Multi panel entries are not permitted.
American Sign Language Group and Solo – Introductory comments must include signing all comments.
Children’s Lesson Group and Solo – The child audience age range is adjusted.
Promo Video – The definition is changed. Delivery instructions have changed.
Puppetry Group and Solo – The child audience age range is adjusted. The stage rules are clarified.
Short Film – Delivery instructions have changed.
Short Sermon – Setup and tear down times are changed to 60 seconds for setup and 60 seconds for tear down. Handheld visual aid specifics are clarified.
Dramatized Quoting – The introductory comments rule is adjusted.
Percussion Solo, Traditional – The introductory comments rule is adjusted.
Percussion, Unconventional – Setup and tear down times are changed to 21/2 minutes for setup and 21/2 minutes for tear down. The introductory comments rule has been adjusted.
Vocal Division – Only drummers in Christian Band and Worship Team are permitted to use in-ear metronomes.
Worship Team – The number of vocalists required is adjusted for Worship Team, Small.
Writing Division – The NFAF delivery instructions are changed.
Creative Nonfiction/Memoir – The category name is changed to First Person Essay.
Mini Saga – The definition is changed.
4. Photography, Mobile is a new category in the Art Division.
5. Mini Saga, Promo Video, and Stand-Up Comedy are official Fine Arts categories and no longer in the Exhibition Division.
6. Select Junior categories have been added on a trial basis in hope of better developing the ministry gifts of all students, regardless of age. The following categories are split into Junior and Senior categories:
Photography, Digital Worship Dance Solo Human Video Solo Percussion Solo, Traditional Worship Leading, Solo Poetry

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 2018 Fine Arts Festival Rule Book.

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

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 2019 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 17-18, 2019

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 on April 19)

For more information visit: penndelyouth.com/finearts

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

Dates: July 30-August 3, 2019 (Notice the change to a Thursday-Saturday schedule)

Place: Orange County Convention Center, 9800 International Drive, Orlando, FL 32819

Deadline to Register: Postmark/fax deadline is May 17, 2019. Online registration closes June 7, 2019. See pages 15-16 of the Fine Arts Rule Book for complete detailed information. (No exceptions to this deadline are ever given under any circumstance).

For more information visit: www.orlando19.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: penndelyouth.com/finearts.

I STILL HAVE QUESTIONS. HELP! For further questions, **contact your Sectional Fine Arts Festival Coordinator** (see the 2019 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 or holtmd@upmc.edu.*