

NELSPRUIT EISTEDDFOD 2019

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Music - Instrumental	Elet Kruger	072 910 8484 elet_d@hotmail.com	IMC IML	26 – 30 August
Visual Arts&Photography	Tabita Sales	072 083 7072 tabitasales@gmail.com	ART	Submission: 19 August Collection: 30 August Venue: AFM Communio
Eisteddfod Gala evening	Stersia Lourens	082 923 3344 stersialourens@gmail.com		19 September

ENTRIES OPEN 25 FEBRUARY 2019

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: 17 MAY 2019

GENERAL RULES AND REGULATIONS

IMPORTANT: All Eisteddfod rules must be strictly adhered to in order to avoid disqualification

PROCESS OF ENTERING

1. REGISTRATION OF AFFILIATES (USERS) AND PAYMENT REFERENCE NUMBER

- Each teacher, coach, school or person who wishes to enter participants must register on the website, www.nelspruiteisteddfod.co.za to become an affiliate. **In the event of an affiliate (user) already been registered during 2018, it would not be required to register again in 2019.**
- **Only applicable to new affiliates (users):** Please complete the registration form on the website "contact us" page, or follow the links.
- Upon receipt of the registration form, the affiliate will be created and a **username** and **password** will be received via e mail. Only then the affiliate will be able to enter participants for the Eisteddfod.
- Only electronic registrations and entries via the website will be accepted.
- **No person can enter for the Eisteddfod if the above steps were not followed.**

2. ENTRY FEES

Solo	R 100-00
Duet	R 65-00 pp
Small group 3-10 members	R 50-00 pp
Large group 11 and more members	R 30-00 pp
Choirs	R 20-00 pp
Competitive Items	R 200-00
Visual Art and Photography	R100-00
Rock Groups	R 380-00

3. PAYMENTS:

PAYMENT SHOULD BE MADE WHEN ENTRIES ARE SUBMITTED

- ENTRY FEES ARE NON-REFUNDABLE.
- ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE MADE IN FULL WHEN ENTRIES ARE COMPLETED.
- FAILURE OF MAKING PAYMENT ON TIME, PARTICIPANTS WILL BE **CONSIDERED AS NOT ENTERED** AND THE SYSTEM **WILL NOT INCLUDE THEM IN THE PROGRAM.**
- IN THE EVENT OF REQUIRING AN INVOICE, THE SYSTEM MAKES PROVISION TO PRINT ONE ON REQUEST.
- BANK DETAILS APPEAR ON THE INVOICE
- THE SYSTEM WILL ISSUE A SPECIFIC **ENTRY NUMBER** WHICH WILL SERVE AS **REFERENCE NUMBER** WHEN MAKING PAYMENT EITHER BY DIRECT DEPOSITS OR EFT's.
- PROOF OF PAYMENT MUST BE EMAILED TO wilna@nelspruiteisteddfod.co.za

DETERMINING PARTICIPANT'S AGE GROUP

- Certain disciplines require **the age** of the participant.

- Age group will be determined by the participant's age on **15 August 2019**. (i.e. – if a participant is 10 years old on 15 August 2019 he/she should be entered as u/11).

Please note: PRIMARY SCHOOL = Grade 1 – 7
 SECONDARY SCHOOL = Grade 8 – 12

- **Please take note that the following categories make use of **age**:**
Visual Art and Photography (ART)
Dance (DNC)
Music Instrumental Classic (IMC)

All other categories make use of the **grade** in which the participant is partaking.

4. ELECTRONIC ENTRIES

- **Entries open on 25 February 2019**
- **Only electronic entries will be accepted.** Follow the steps on the website of the Eisteddfod at www.nelspruiteisteddfod.co.za
- **Video clips and manuals are now available on the system with guidelines on the entry process**
- The Eisteddfod will not be responsible for **ANY faulty information** loaded on the system by affiliates.
- For bank payment purposes, always use the **specific entry number** as reference.
- The administrator may be contacted for **any enquiries**.

5. DETAILS OF ENTRIES

- All information required on the system must be completed.
- **Verify details** regarding the participant's age, /grade, correct spelling of name, item numbers and codes. The name as entered on the system will be the name that appears on the certificate.
- **Ensure** that participants are entered in the **correct category**. Affiliates will be held responsible for submitting accurate details. Incorrect information may lead to the disqualification.
- In the event of entering participants with special needs, the applicable **SP code** should be filled in the **NOTE block** when entering.
- **No work may be presented in more than 1 division.**
- No work may be repeated by a participant in **2 consecutive years**.
- A participant may only **enter once per category**, with the exception of **Music Instrumental** where the participant may be playing a different instrument.
- Participants may only perform in **his/her own age group** when entering for individual items.
- Groups will be entered under the age of the **oldest participant in that group or grade**, excepts in the case of FAMILY GROUP items.
- Entries close on **Friday 17 May 2018** punctually.
- **NO late entries can be accommodated, as the system will not allow it. Participants not appearing on the programme will NOT be allowed to participate in the Eisteddfod.**

6. WITHDRAWING OF PARTICIPANTS

- Any participant withdrawing from the Eisteddfod will **forfeit the entry fee**.
- If an individual participant withdraws, he/she **cannot be replaced by another participant**. Certificates are pre-printed and therefore no name changes will be made.
- Should a cancellation be necessary, please inform the Head of Division without delay (telephone numbers on page 1).

PROGRAMME

- The programme will be communicated and will be available on the Eisteddfod website.
- It is of utmost importance **to stick to the time allowed per item** as outlined in the division prospectus. **Time allowed may NOT be exceeded.**
- Any late programme changes will **ONLY** be allowed if they are approved by the Head of Division. These changes will be accommodated after completion of the programme at the end of the day, or at the end of the week.
- Please note that the Eisteddfod will not be able to accommodate time or date clashes with extra mural activities, due to organisational complexities.
- While the Eisteddfod does its utmost to ensure the smooth running of the program of each division, there are factors beyond its control which may affect the final programme. Should any changes be unavoidable, where ever possible, we will notify affiliates.
- Requests for **program changes or shifts** must be communicated via email to the respective division chairperson. Such requests will only be considered if possible. The email inclusive of the response from the chairperson must be **handed in at registration**.
- **NO** participant's time slot will be changed during adjudication, particularly NOT in Afrikaans Voordrag en Drama and English Speech and Drama divisions as they have 2 or more adjudicators.

VENUES

- Adjudication of all divisions, will take place at the **AFM COMMUNIO Auditorium and Church Hall C/o Jakaranda and Kaapschehoop Rd, Nelspruit**.
- Please note: the Nelspruit Eisteddfod expects that all participants, especially groups will **maintain strict discipline and invigilation**. It is the prerogative of the Head of Division to cancel participation in the case of non-adherence to the above.

REGISTRATION (during the Eisteddfod)

- All participants have to register **30 minutes** before their performance, (except in the case of the **Dance Discipline** where **60 minutes** will be applicable).
- Registration tables will be situated in the foyer of the **AFM COMMUNIO Auditorium**.

CERTIFICATES

Adjudicators will award certificates according to the following scale:

90+	A++	Outstanding	PRESTIGE
85 – 89	A+	Excellent	GOLD
80 – 84	A	Very Good	GOLD
75 – 79	B+	Good	SILVER
70 – 74	B	Mastered	SILVER
<69	C	Fair	BRONZE

- For each item, an adjudicator's report will be presented.

- **Each participant taking part in the Eisteddfod will** receive a certificate. Individuals will receive an A4 format certificate and all group participants will receive an A5 format certificate. Names will not be printed on the group certificates, but the group name. However, the certificate will provide for a space to fill in names or to print as required.
- **The adjudicator's decision is final** and no discussion with the adjudicator will be allowed.
- Adjudicators may **disqualify participants** in the case of non-adherence to the rules and regulations of the Eisteddfod or in the event of plagiarism.
- NO participants, coaches, parents etc. will be all allowed at the adjudicator's table during adjudication. It will be the prerogative of the Division Head to have discretion to request that such a person leave.

AWARDS

- Awards will only be made to participants entering the **Competitive Sections**.
- The minimum qualifying mark for an award is **85 %**.
- Awards will be presented by the adjudicator **at the end** of each individual Competitive Section.
- Additional awards are also made by friends and sponsors of the Eisteddfod and all details are available in the prospectuses.
- To qualify for the **Versatility Trophies**, participants must enter for **a minimum of 3 divisions**.
- The Versatility trophy will be awarded at the **Eisteddfod Gala evening event** to the winner. A formula is used to determine the winner. It depends on how many divisions the participant has entered as well as the highest average marks achieved that is considered.

LANGUAGE AND DRESS CODE

- No prejudicial material, derogatory language, costumes or gestures will be allowed during any of the performances, and may lead to disqualification.
- No texts of a sensitive, political or blasphemous nature will be allowed.
- Please ensure that the performance contents are **appropriate and age-related**.

PARTICIPANTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS

- Special arrangements have been made to accommodate special needs. They may enter any item and will be adjudicated separately.
- Please fill in the relevant **SP Code in the NOTE block** when entering a participant.

DESCRIPTION	SP CODE
SPECIAL AUDITORY NEEDS	SPA
SPECIAL INTELLECTUAL NEEDS	SPI
SPECIAL VISUAL NEEDS	SPV
SPECIAL LEARNING NEEDS	SPL
SPECIAL PHYSICAL NEEDS	SPP

EISTEDDFOD GALA EVENING

- The Gala evening will take place on Thursday **19 September 2019** at the **AFM Communio Auditorium**, where the **Versatility Trophies** will be awarded.
- The criteria for participation in the Gala evening consists of:
Entertainment value, quality of the performance, variety etc. Symbols/Marks obtained at the Eisteddfod do not automatically guarantee participation in the Gala event. The Committee's decision is final and non-negotiable.

INDEMNITY

- The Nelspruit Eisteddfod cannot be held responsible for any loss, theft or injury sustained during the Eisteddfod or Gala evening.
- Provision has been made for guards during the Gala evening of the Eisteddfod.
- Art work **HAS to be collected by 30 August 2019**. The Eisteddfod reserves the right to destroy all Art work that has not been collected in 7 working days of the due date.