



LAO FAMILY COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT, INC.

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SHNY 2023-24 Dancing Contest Application Terms and Conditions

Thanks for showing interest in participating in the Stockton Hmong New Year Dance Contest! The Stockton Hmong New Year celebration will be held at **1658 S. Airport Way, Stockton, CA. 95206 on November 11, & November 12, 2023.**

We **require** that interested individuals or groups submit this application to the Dance Coordinator **no later than November 3, 2023.** Applications received after this deadline will not be considered to participate in the Stockton Hmong New Year Dance Contest.

1. The **Dance Competition is on Saturday, November 11, and Sunday, November 12 at 10:00 am.** All dancers please check in by 9:30 am. There is **NO REGISTRATION FEE** for any of the contests. However, per the New Year Policy, **ALL CONTESTANTS MUST PAY THE REQUIRED ENTRANCE FEE TO ENTER THE SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS.**

****Note:** entrance fees provided below are based on each day of the event. All participants/performers must pay the day entrance fee for three days.*

- a. General Admission Fee (6 - 65 years old) \$5.00
 - b. Parking Fee Per Vehicle \$5.00
 - c. Children (0 – 5 years old) Free
 - d. Seniors (66 years and over with ID) Free
2. **There will be a two division Dance Contest this year. Junior team, 13 years and younger. (80% of junior team members must be 13 and younger). Senior team, 14 and older.** The Dancing Contest must have at least six (6) groups from each division present at the time of competition in order to compete or they will not be able to compete for the following prizes:

Senior Team Prize Award

1st Place: \$500 + Trophy

2nd Place: \$300 + Trophy

3rd Place: \$200 + Trophy

Junior Team Prize Award

1st Place: \$400 + Trophy

2nd Place: \$250 + Trophy

3rd Place: \$150 + Trophy

3. Under any circumstances, **no substitution** of contestant(s) will be allowed during both days of the event. Shall any contestant or group make any substitution, the contestant or group will be immediately disqualified from the contest.



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4. The **Dancing Contest** requires **two (2)** different **performances** in the following order (the time of competition will be determined after the due date to return the applications):
 - a. Contestant(s) are asked to perform a **“Free Style” Performance for the 1st round.**
 - b. Contestant(s) are asked to perform a **“Hmong” Performance for the 2nd round.** The “Hmong” Performance must be subject to the best judgment of the judges.
 - c. Same Hmong Dance will perform as the 3rd round in case of a tie.
*Will be Judged by all 8 judges.
5. All performers are required to **check in 30 minutes prior** to their scheduled performance time, unless specified otherwise by the stage manager.
6. Prizes in the form of checks will be presented to the winner(s) on **Sunday at 3:00 p.m.**, right after the winners for the Sports Competitions are announced. The “1st” place winner(s) for “Dancing” will be asked to perform one more time.
7. All performances are on a **volunteer basis**. The Stockton Hmong New Year, its committee and staff members, Agents and the Board of Directors **will not be** responsible for any injuries resulting from performances. Further, we will not be responsible for the loss or damage of personal property. By signing this Contest Application form, all performers waive all rights to litigation against Stockton Hmong New Year, Lao Family Community Empowerment, Inc., its Officers, Board of Directors, Agents, Employees or any person under the direction or supervision of LFCE and Stockton Hmong New Year from any and all damages, injuries, or loss suffered directly or indirectly.
8. All performers must make sure that their performances are appropriate for individuals of all ages. This is a community event, and it is not a place for violence, illegal activities, or explicit sexual content. Any individual or group that promotes illegal activities through their performance(s) **will be disqualified** from competition and will be referred to the appropriate authority.
9. Stockton Hmong New Year Committee reserves the right for its designer(s) to take photos and video footage for future publications and promotions. These photos/videos will remain the property of LFCE and the Stockton Hmong New Year.
10. Submission of this application does not guarantee the individuals/groups the opportunity to compete, nor does it constitute an agreement with the Stockton Hmong New Year committee to provide spaces, service, or compensation of any sort. **Remember, it is a privilege to compete and not a right.**



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Dancing Contest Application

Contact Person (*must be 18 years or older*): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Alternate phone: _____

Email: _____

Emergency Contact Name: _____ Phone: _____

Select one:

- Senior Team Junior Team

Individual or Group Name: _____

⇒ Please list the names and ages of all performers:

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____
5. _____
6. _____
7. _____
8. _____
9. _____
10. _____
11. _____
12. _____



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Type of **media equipment** required: **CD**. Please provide your songs/music on a CD numbered from # 1 through # 3 in the correct order of your performance. Song must be at least 2mins long.

Songs used for performances:

1. Title: _____ Length: _____

2. Title: _____ Length: _____

3. Title: _____ Length: _____

4. Title: _____ Length: _____

***NOTE: This does not guarantee space for all performances.

I, _____ (*print name*), have read and understood this “Dancing Contest Application” form *which includes a total of 5 pages altogether*, and agree to abide by the terms and conditions stated. I understand that any violation of the terms and conditions listed on this application will result in removal from the New Year with NO REFUND of entrance fees.

By signing this “Dancing Contest Application”, I hereby certify that I am **18 years and older**, and that I have informed each participant listed above of the Terms and Conditions listed on this Dancing Contest Application. I agreed and understand that I will be responsible for all contestants listed on this application. **Must Initial:** _____

Responsible Party/or Contact (Signature)

Date

OFFICE USE ONLY:

Application Received (Date): _____ Staff: _____

Scheduled Appearance: _____ Time: _____

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Shona Ly (209) 242-1678 or Shonaly92@gmail.com.

We look forward to your participation in this year’s festival!
Thanks for showing interest in participating in our Stockton Hmong New Year
Dancing Contest!

The Stockton Hmong New Year Team.