

2012 Taiwan International Vocal Festival World New Spiritual Choral Competition- Happy 50 Rules and Regulation

1. **Date:** 6 October, 2012

2. Place: New Taipei City Cultural Affairs Department Culture and Arts Center

3. Sponsoring Body: The New Choral Foundation, Taiwan Choral Music Center

4. Entry requirements

- 1. Minimum of 20 singers , maximum of 50 singers, conductor and accompanist excluded.
- 2. Singers must be 50 years old or older. Total number of singers under 50 years old may not exceed 10% of choir.
- 3. Different types of choirs (Mixed, Women's or Men's choirs) can participate in the competition.
- 4. Only non-professional choirs can participate in the competition (conductor and accompanist excluded).
- 5. The singer may not cross-choir enrollment.
- 6. The first prize choir last year is not allowed to participate in the competition this year but may participate in next year.

5. Registration methods

- ♦ Choirs **NOT** from Taiwan, Penghu, Kinmen or Matsu
 - 1. Deadline of registration: 30 April 2012 (postmark date)
 - 2. Submission methods: Send by post or Email
 - 3. Please submit the following together before deadline of Registration:
 - 1. Registration Form
 - 2. Recent Photographs of choir and conductor. (suitable for publicity purposes): digital photos must have a resolution of at least 300 dpi.
 - 3. A short CV of the choir and the conductor, detailing activities and achievements (English Text, 200 words)
 - 4. A recent CD/DVD, Mpeg or Youtube of a performance or rehearsal sent by mail.
 - 5. Registration fee US\$ 100. The fee is not refundable.
 - 4. After the meeting of the artistic committee, the results and qualified choirs which will be invited to participate in the competition will be post on the Taiwan International Vocal Festival website in Mid-July.
 - 5. The qualified choirs must submit the following together before 31 August:
 - Seven original scores of each work (A4 size, copied front and back, non returnable), The participant is responsible for complying with all copyright laws.
 - 2. The order of competition performance.

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3. Participation fee.



- 6. The participation fee is **USD 450 /Per person**. Accommodation in double room, extra price for single room.
 - The participation fee including following expense
 - 1. Pick-up from the airport
 - 2. Accommodation from 5 October to 8 October (3 nights)
 - 3. Meals and transportation arrangements from 5 October to 7 October.
 - 4. Breakfast on 8 October
 - 5. Participate in the competition
 - 6. Observe the competition
 - 7. Appreciate the Winners' Concert
 - 8. The arrangements of tourist activities from the organizer
 - 9. Participate in the Farewell party
 - *Conductor is free of charge.
 - Daily schedule

10/5 : Arrival in Taiwan, after dinner back to Hotel.

10/6 : rehearsal in the morning, competition in the afternoon, Winners' concert in the evening.

10/7: City tour in the daytime, Farewell party in the evening.

- Extended tours can be arranged by its own, or arranged from the organizer by surcharge.
- 7. Payment method: Please submit payment to the Organizing Committee.

Postal Remittance Account:

A/C WITH BANK: Bank Of Taiwan Kung Kuan Branch

ADDRESS: No.120 Sec 4, Roosevelt Rd. Taipei Taiwan R.O.C

SWIFT CODE: BKTWTWTP034 ACCOUNT NO.: 034-007-029-869

BENEFICIARY'S NAME: New Choral Foundation

6. Address:

New Spiritual Choral Competition "Happy 50" Preparatory Committee 8F., No.35, Sec. 1, Zhongxiao E. Rd., Zhongzheng Dist., Taipei City

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- 7. The stage order will be drawn by TCMC on September 15. The result will be announced at the official website, and further notified individually.
- 8. Important Points for Registration
 - 1. Please complete each item on the registration form and submit for review, failure to fully complete any item will invalidate the registration.
 - 2. Any falsifications on the registration form will disqualify that participant.
 - 3. The participation fee is not refundable...



9. Competition rules

- 1. Sheet music copyright compliance responsibility rests with the choir.
- 2. Each choir's performance time must not exceed 15 minutes, and will be calculated from the first performance sound of each song (including accompaniment). For every 30 seconds over the time limit 0.5 points will be deducted from the final score, etc.

3. Repertoire Requirement:

Time	Pieces	Rules and Intonation		
12 minutes	Compulsory works	1. Music provided by the Hanguag Educational Foundation, newly arranged for choir by the Pop/Jazz Artistic Director of Taiwan Choral Music Center, Mr. Ray Chu. Choirs must perform pieces without alternation. The compulsory works as following: 1. Huai Go		
		2.Na cha Na Ta		
		2. Scores will be available on the Taiwan International Vocal Festival website, http://festival.tcmc.org.tw/		
	Free selected works	One to two works, one of which must include a stage performance.		

10. Judging criteria

Item	Explanation	Percentage
Artistry	Interpretation, expression, stylistic fidelity	700/
Technique	Intonation, rhythm, articulation, vocal technique, tone quality, timbre	70%
Stage	Artistic concept and stage change	30%

11. Prizes

1. Gold Medal: 85 points or more

Silver Medal: 80 points or more, below 85 points Bronze Medal: 75 points or more, below 80 points

There is more than one winner for Gold, Silver, and Bronze medal Prize.

- 2. Best Hanguang Interpretation Prize: The Best Compulsory Works interpretation.
- 3. If no points reach the required standard, that award will not be given.
- 4. If competitors win the same prize, the prize money will be equally divided.



Prize name	Prize money	Award
Gold Medal	NT\$ 20,000	Certificate
Silver Medal	NT\$ 10,000	Certificate
Bronze Medal	NT\$ 5,000	Certificate
Best Hanguang Interpretation	NT\$ 5,000	Certificate
Best Conductor	NT\$ 3,000	Certificate
Best Stage Performance	NT\$ 3,000	Certificate
Best Costume	NT\$ 3,000	Certificate
Special Judges' Award	NT\$ 3,000	Certificate

12. Judges: Made up of international and domestic judges of note.

13. Miscellaneous

- 1. Participating choirs are responsible for all their costs.
- 2. All choirs must use legitimate musical scores.
- 3. The concert Hall will have a grand piano available, but any other accompanying instruments will have to be brought by the choirs themselves.
- 4. The choirs will receive the following items at the conclusion of the event:
 - I. Judges remarks
 - II. One set of competition photos
 - III. One DVD of the choir's performance
- 5. The juries will select 6 choirs to perform for the Winners' Gala Concert held in the evening of the competition.
- 6. The Gold medal choirs will be invited to perform in the competition next year.
- 7. All choirs must give up any rights to audio or video recordings of performances. The organizer reserves the rights to all radio and television broadcasts, recording, filming and photographing of competition performances without reimbursement to the participants.
- 8. Please carefully read the above registration rules, rights and obligations, registration submission is seen as agreement to all of the above conditions.

14. Rules for Claiming Prizes

Each choir should nominate a member to claim prizes and sign as receiver at the time prizes are issued. According to the international income tax regulations, the organizer must withhold 20% of prize money for tax purposes.

15. For further information, please contact with Mr. Chlo,

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