

Rules & Regulations for Art & Literary Competition **KCCNA Convention Dallas, Texas July 2010**

- Participants are permitted to take part in a maximum of four single items.
- Participants are allowed to compete only in his/her specified age/grade group.
- Groups up to twelfth grade are determined according to the participant's school grades that were completed prior to the summer
- If a participant is found to be in an impermissible group, he/she will be disqualified from the competition and NO substitute candidates will be allowed from the unit/association.
- Age or grade of each participant, including all members of group items, should be collected when the entries are taken. It is the responsibility of individual units/association to provide correct information to KCCNA. All participants must provide photo identification to prove his/her age and support school identification to support his/her school grades.
- Decisions by judges will be FINAL.
- Participants or parents are not permitted to discuss or approach judges at any time during the competition, any violation of this may result in disqualification.
- Participants should be prepared upon arrival and must report to the designated location at the stipulated time. Individuals arriving late will not be permitted to participate.
- Time limits will be monitored by a stopwatch/clock. Participants who exceed the allocated time limit will be disqualified and/or points will be deducted from his/her final score.
- For individual items, participants are required to participate in his/her respective age or grade group.
- Any items, which do not have two or more participants, will be cancelled.
- **Knanaya Kalathilakam** and **Knanaya Kalaprathibha** will be determined at the end of all art and literary competitions. A female and male competitor scoring the highest points in single items will be given those awards. Points for group items will be used only as a tiebreaker.
- Units with highest total points for art competitions including all single and group items will be given the Arts & Literary championship trophy.
- Any disputes related to the competition must be submitted to the arts and literary competition chair, in writing within one hour of the announcement of the winners. No verbal complaints will be considered.
- Local associations shall submit participant lists by the end of May 2010.

Participation from KCCNA units

Criteria	Participants in Single items	Participants in Group items
Units with six or more KCCNA national council members or units with seventy five or more registration for KCCNA Convention , July 2010	2	2
Units with less than six KCCNA national council members	1	1

Group Items

- Minimum: 2 participants.
- Junior participants may participate in senior groups, however the following conditions must be met: (1) at least fifty percent of the participants should be from that age group or (2) participants for group items can only compete in one group for the same item.
- In the event one participates in the senior group, the same person cannot participate for the same item in their respective group. Senior participants are not allowed to participate in junior groups.

Dance Competitions

- Only one song on compact disc (CD) (must play any format) or cassette.
- CD or cassette must be given to the disc jockey before the event with the chest number marked on it.
- CD or cassette will not be accepted once the program has started.
- Classical dance includes any form of it.

Other Competitions

- Solo vocal: only in Malayalam, no karaoke or background music.
- No background music allowed for Purathanapattu.
- Spelling bee will be an oral competition.
- The Bible quiz is based on the entire Bible and Knanaya history.
- Elocution: only in English