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“Greek Asylum”

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Step Show Information and Application Packet

Deadline: Friday, February 18, 2011

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Dear Friends,

Student Government Program Board at Florida Atlantic University proudly invites you to apply to get the chance to be a part of the 16th Annual Sunshine State Classic Step Show, the second largest step show in Florida! The show will take place on April 16th in the Carole and Barry Kaye Auditorium at 8 pm. In order for this step competition to be a success, we need the support of all National Pan-Hellenic Council Greeks in Florida.

This year's theme is *Greek Asylum* and we would like the best of the best in Florida to be a part of this amazing show. Use your great imagination to incorporate this theme into your performance. First place Sorority and Fraternity will be awarded \$2000 each, and the second place Sorority and Fraternity will be awarded \$1000 each.

It is recommended that you respond as soon as possible because there can only be one step team per national organization to participate. In order to compete in the show, your step team must complete and return the signed application/registration form. If more than one of your specific organization is applying we will notify you of this and ask for a video of your team performing, which can be submitted in several formats (including VHS video tape, MP4, DVD, Facebook or Youtube video). All applications are due by Friday, February 18, 2011. Teams will be notified of their acceptance to the Step Show by Friday, March 4, 2010.

Please fax materials to 561.297.3733, e-mail to faustepshow11@gmail.com or send to:

Student Government Program Board
Re: 2011 Sunshine Classic Step Show
Florida Atlantic University
777 Glades Road, UN 203
Boca Raton, FL 33431

We look forward to your participation in this great event. If you should have any questions or concerns please contact anyone of us from the Step Show contact Bobby Peterson at 561.297.3735 or faustepshow11@gmail.com. Once again, thank you for your interest and continued support.

Sincerely,

Bobby Peterson
Student Government Program Board Director
2011 Sunshine State Classic Step Show Steering Committee

All groups are responsible for reading and abiding by the rules and regulations listed below.

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Step Show Information

1. The SSC Step Show will held at Florida Atlantic University in Boca Raton on Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 8 pm in the Carole and Barry Kaye Auditorium
2. The contest will be open to all National Pan-Hellenic Council organizations in the state of Florida first, and depending on availability, organizations from out of state will be considered.
3. No participating organization(s) or individual(s) will be allowed to perform without the approval from the University/College of which they represent.
4. Only one group from each NPHC organizations will be selected to perform.
5. A group can be teamed with another University/College to formulate one competing team. However only one University/College will be awarded the monetary prize (in the form of a University Check) and trophy.
6. Videotapes/DVDs of your team's previous performances are required when one or more teams of your organization have applied in order to be considered.

Step Show Rules

1. This is a FAMILY FRIENDLY Step Show! That means that any type of vulgarity, profanity solicitation, swearing or cursing, disrespectful actions, or degrading acts will automatically disqualify a group.
2. No sexually explicit content is allowed within any portion of the performance and will result in disqualification. Sexually explicit behaviors/content include, but are not limited to, inappropriate removal of clothing, gyrating in a sexual manner, imitating sexual motions, using music with vulgar sexual lyrics (including chants/songs), etc.
3. Degrading of other organizations will NOT be allowed and will result in disqualification.
4. No fire, pyrotechnics, or fog machines are allowed in the Student Union Auditorium. Violation of this rule will result in disqualification.
5. ALL costumes must be approved before the competition by the Step Show committee of Student Government Program Board. No inappropriate costumes will be allowed, and this includes inappropriate words printed on t-shirts, wearing boxers or lingerie, etc.
6. ALL props must be approved before the competition by a member of Student Government Program Board and absolutely NO weapons are permitted in the show, including machetes.
7. Absolutely NO live animals are allowed in the show during any portion of the performance.
8. All scenes not viewed by a member of Student Government Program Board and deemed not appropriate by judges will result in automatic disqualification.
9. If a group is disqualified, their school's officials will be notified immediately, as well as the organization's national officials.
10. All music selections should be the clean version of selected songs.
11. All groups **MUST** have the minimum of five (5) or maximum twelve (12) participants in order to perform.
12. Each team is allowed **one** lighting assistant, **one** music assistant, and **one** stagehand which will be allowed into the Step Show free of charge.
13. Any changes to the list of Step Show team members must be turned in via e-mail by Friday, April 1, 2011 to faustepshow11@gmail.com.

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14. Each organization must provide emcee introduction to Program Board by Friday, April 1, 2011.
15. Each organization must provide Program Board with special lighting requests by Friday, April 1, 2011.
16. Each organization must be in attendance at the mandatory Step Show meeting on Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 9:00 am in the Grand Palm Room of the Student Union.
17. The order of the show will be determined by a random drawing.

Time Limit

1. Each group will be given 8-12 minutes to perform. (This includes your intro and exit)
2. During this time, a group is allowed to sing, stomp, chant, march, or dance.
3. For each minute over the allotted time, 5 points will be deducted.
4. All props and backdrops must be removed from the stage at the conclusion of your performance.

Practice Times

1. Each organization will be given 30 minutes to rehearse in the Carole and Barry Kaye Auditorium.
2. If you do not show up for your pre-assigned rehearsal time, you will forfeit practice time.
3. Participants are expected to be prompt for the schedule practices times. Teams will not be given extra time to practice if group members are late, or for any other reasons.
4. Your team **MUST** rehearse every piece of your performance during your dress rehearsal time, including bringing in all props and costumes for inspection during dress rehearsal. Teams will not be allowed to compete in the Step Show if they don't show up to their dress rehearsal time and perform.

Prizes

1. The first place Sorority and Fraternity will be awarded a \$2000 prize.
2. The second place Sorority and Fraternity will be awarded a \$1000 prize.
3. The winning team will receive a check made out to their organization approximately two weeks after the show. Winnings will go directly to the winning organization and not to any individuals. In order to receive a check, a W-9 with your organization's tax information **MUST** be submitted to Student Government Program Board. You will **NOT** receive a check if a W-9 is not submitted.

Accommodations

1. All groups are responsible for their transportation to and from Florida Atlantic University.
2. Only teams traveling outside a radius of 60 miles from Florida Atlantic University will be eligible to receive hotel accommodations. FAU students are **NOT** eligible for accommodation
3. If eligible, each team will be eligible for a complimentary two night stay at the Fairfield Inn, 3400 Airport Road in Boca Raton on Friday, April 15 and Saturday, April 16, 2011.

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4. There will be a maximum of two (2) rooms given to each eligible team, four (4) to a room, double occupancy.
5. Groups **MUST** supply all of the names of the participants staying in the hotel by Friday, April 1, 2011. If the participant list is not received, groups will have to fund their own accommodations.
6. FAU will **NOT** be responsible for late checkout fees; any extra fees assessed will be deducted from the prize money or billed to that team's University/College.
7. FAU will not incur any liability beyond lodging fees (e.g. extended stay, phone calls, room service, etc). Any items missing out of the hotel rooms will be deducted from the prize money, or billed to that team's University/College.
8. Please remember you are not only representing your organization and university, but also FAU. Therefore, there should be no excessive loud noises, music, or parties. If you are deemed liable for such violations, you will be responsible for your own accommodations.
9. There will be FAU chaperone at the Fairfield Inn on Friday, April 15 and Saturday, April 16 and any inappropriate behavior (including, but not limited to, disruption in the hotel, being excessively loud, loitering in the hotel parking lot, parties, etc) will not be tolerated and will result in automatic disqualification of your organization's team.

Miscellaneous

1. All step team members will be admitted to the show, free of charge. The names of each step team member must be submitted by Friday, April 1, 2010. If the name is **NOT** listed, he/she must pay for a ticket.
2. Tickets for the SSC Step Show may be purchased in advance for \$10 online at www.fauevents.com . FAU students may get discounted tickets (\$5) by purchasing their tickets directly at the Box Office in the Student Union.
3. Tickets for the SSC Step Show may be purchased at the door on the day of the show for \$15 (\$10 for FAU students).

Step Show Judging

1. Each group will be judged on specific categories with scores ranging from 1 to 10. There are 10 categories totaling the scores to a maximum of 100 points.
2. This year's theme is: Greek Asylum
3. This year categories are:
 - Introduction Step: The precision of the initial step routine into the performance.
 - Theme: The incorporation of the theme into the performance.
 - Transition: The accuracy of movement, passage, or change from one routine to another.
 - Traditional Step: The incorporation of traditional stepping into the performance.
 - Complexity: The intricacy and uniqueness of the stepping and overall routine.
 - Synchronization: Carrying out precise rhythmic syncopation of stepping
 - Enthusiasm: Overall manner of presenting routine to the audience.
 - Vocal Clarity: Precision and clarity of vocal usage during the performance.

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- Costume/Uniform: The creativeness and distinctive style of the performers costume.
 - Overall Performance: Overall execution of the performance and all that it entails.
4. To eliminate all controversy and bias the HIGHEST AND LOWEST scores dropped
 5. The judges' decisions are FINAL.
 6. In case of a tie, the team that has the highest cumulative points in the "OVERALL PERFORMANCE" category wins.
 7. To eliminate controversy, Step Show evaluation will not be shown after the show. Evaluation will be mailed upon request.
 8. There will be a panel of 10 judges and a timekeeper (one representative from each NPHC group and a non-NPHC judge).
 9. Judges will be selected by the SSC Step Show Committee and are selected based on his/her knowledge of "stepping" and judging experience.

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GENERAL INFORMATION

College/University _____

Name of Fraternity/Sorority _____

Name of Chapter _____

Fraternity/Sorority President _____

Mailing Address _____

Fraternity/Sorority Tax ID# _____

Telephone # _____

University Greek Advisor _____

Signature of University Greek Advisor Date Phone Number

Contact Name _____

Cell Phone # _____

E-mail Address _____

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Participants in the SSC Step Show

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

Alternates (Including those who will be assisting performers during the show)

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

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Step Team Agrees:

- 1) To adhere to the Rules, Regulations and Judging Criteria as stated in the "Step Show Information Package" which is part of this agreement.

- 2) To perform at the Step Show according to the Step Show Judging Criteria as stated in the "Step Show Information Packet."

- 3) To arrive at practice sessions and performances as indicated by SSC Committee.

- 4) To return the contract as per the stated deadlines. Information can be mailed to the address provided.

- 5) The Step Team represents by the signature below that they are authorized to enter into this performance agreement by both their university/college (if applicable) and affiliate organizations.

- 6) The Step Team assumes all risk in its performance of all activities authorized by this agreement and is responsible for all actions whatsoever committed by your team that may cause harm or injury to persons or property.

In witness thereof, the Step Team and SSC Committee have executed this agreement the day and year indicated below.

SSC Representative

Date

Step Team Representative

Date

Witness

Date