**“Thaala 2023”**

**Invitation for the Inter-Faculty Dancing Competition 2023**

**1.0. Overview**

This competition will be conducted via three rounds consisting of intra-faculty 1st auditions, inter-faculty semi-final auditions followed by a workshop conducted by professional level dancers and a university level final competition held at the New Arts Theater (NAT) University of Colombo. The final competition is planned to be held on the 10th February 2023 to showcase the talents of different dancing traditions by students representing all 8 faculties registered under the constitution of the Arts Council of University of Colombo.

**1.1. General Rules and Guidelines for the competition**

\*This will be a solo dancing competition representing students from all faculties in the University of Colombo.

\* Students from any of the four years of university and from any race can apply for this competition by submitting the google form application <https://forms.gle/8UVNb4FRRFcZpyEG9> by on or before 08th of January 2023.

\* Participants can use live instruments or a track for as their background music, but no funding will be granted from the University for this purpose.

\*The students who are dancing to a track needs to submit it in a CD at least before 4 days to the respective audition to Ms. Dasuni of Student and Staff Affairs Branch at College House.

\* Communication will be mainly handled by email and the participants selected for the final round will be added in to a WhatsApp group for easy communication.

**1.2. Rounds of Competition**

The competition will be carried under three main rounds as below.

**1.2.1. First Round: 1st Auditions**

\* The 1st round auditions will be conducted at each faculty level and the selected list of top 10 students need to be received by dasuni@ssa.cmb.ac.lk on or before 16th January 2022 for the semi-final round.

\* Participants can take up to 2 minutes to 2.5 minutes for the dance item.

\* Judges for this audition can be decided by the faculty and evaluation can be done under selected criteria.

\* Participants need to wear a practice costume for the audition (Ex: Jeans, liyotad etc.)

**1.2.2. Second Round: Semi-finals**

\* Top 3 participants will be selected from each faculty based on the evaluations by an expert judge panel selected under the university level.

\* Participants need to wear a professional dance costume (kindly note that this is not the practice costume) for the item.

\* Participants can take up to 2 minutes to 2.5 minutes for the dance item.

\* Second round will be held on the 24th of January 2023 among the selected faculty candidates.

\* Venue of this will be informed in due course to the participants.

**1.2.3. Third Round: Finals**

\* Selected candidates from the second round will undergo a training workshop conducted by professional dancers (date will be notified later).

\* Final dancing competition will be on the 10th January 2023 at the New Arts Theatre (NAT) of University of Colombo at 3.00 p.m. onwards.

\* Judgement will be made by an independent and expert judge panel.

\* Three award winners will be selected as winner, 1st runners up and 2nd runners up.

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