

# **GUIDELINES FOR VIBRANCE 2024**

#### FOR VIDEO RECORDING SUBMISSION:

### Here are the guidelines to be followed for Video Recording Submission:

- All the recordings must strictly adhere to traditional Carnatic Music & Bharatanatyam.
- Entries with experimental, fusion or group presentations are not permitted and shall be rejected.
- For the classical music categories electronic or regular tanpura is mandatory, any other basic accompaniment is not mandatory, but you can feel free to have it.
- A plain background is mandatory while recording. Please do not have any portraits or pictures of Gods, or any other religious symbolism in the videos.
- Time Limit for Video Submission:

Category	Age group	Performance	Duration
Juniors	6 to 11 years	Solo	3 mins + 1 min grace
Teens	12 to 18 years	Solo	4 mins + 1 min grace
Open Category	18+ years	Solo	4 mins + 2 mins grace
Group	12 years & above	Group	5 mins + 2 mins grace

- Each applicant can submit only **one entry each** in Music & Dance if you wish to participate in both the competitions.
- Video should be raw, and it should be unedited:



- If you're uploading it to the drive, ensure that your link is pasted with the <u>edit</u>
  access.
- If you submit your recording via YouTube, please ensure that your videos have the proper settings:

VIDEO MANAGER → Videos → Basic Info → from the dropdown menu, please choose "Public" or "Unlisted" instead of "Private"

- Please note that only one video link can be submitted at a time.
- Dances are judged on rhythm, emotional expression, geometry, grace, involvement, originality, innovation, costumes, and stage/space usage, with a focus on Nritta, Abhinaya, and the meaning of the sahitya (lyrics/literature)

## **Judging Criteria:**

· For Bharatanatyam:

Tala (Rhythm), Abhinaya (Expression, Aharya (Costume), Stage Presence, Footwork, Overall Impression

For Carnatic Music:

Vocal Technique/Instrumental Proficiency, Raaga and Swara Understanding, Laya (Rhythm), Expression and Emotion, Overall Presentation

### Age and Eligibility:

- Participants must adhere to the specified age categories for their performances.
- Proof of age may be requested upon arrival at the venue.

### **Music Submission:**

- Only recorded classical music is allowed for dance performances, preferably from the Bharatanatyam repertoire.
- For Carnatic music, participants must perform using their own instruments

### **Costumes & Makeup:**



 Participants should arrive fully dressed in appropriate attire for their performance style, including any required makeup.

#### **Reporting Time:**

 All participants are required to report at least 30 minutes before their scheduled performance.

### **Props & Stage Setup:**

- Participants must inform organizers about any props required during registration.
- A time limit will be enforced for setup and removal of props.

### **Conduct & Etiquette:**

 Participants should maintain decorum and show respect towards event staff, judges, and fellow competitors.

#### **GENERAL:**

- 1. Entries will be processed on a first-come, first-serve basis
- 2. VWU has a right to deny any registration at its discretion.
- 3. When registering, it is mandatory to attach your child/ward's age proof for our reference.
- 4. Registration is only confirmed upon receipt of payment.
- 5. All the registration fees are non-refundable & non-transferable under any circumstances.
- 6. VWU reserves the right to dissolve any competition category in which the number of registered entries is fewer than five (5). Participants will be notified in advance, and any registration fees will be refunded.
- 7. Late entries post the registration due date won't be accepted.
- 8. Terms and conditions are subject to change.

#### PHOTOGRAPHY & RECORDINGS:

- 1. VWU reserves the right to take photographs and videos at any time throughout the competition. This includes, but is not limited to, master classes, rehearsals or performances during the competition, or any activities in the competition arena.
- 2. VWU owns the right to all photographs and videos taken throughout the course of the competition.



3. Participants or their parents/legal guardians give their permission for VWU, their sponsors and/or authorized third parties to use such photographs and videos for promotional and commercial purposes.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY:**

- 1. Participants agree to indemnify VWU & its associates from any legal action and/or cost resulting from any physical injury, illness or damage, and mental stress sustained during any activity related to the competition.
- 2. Participants outside of the USA are to adhere to your own country's safe measurement advisories in the process of video recording.
- 3. The above are subject to change according to local Government safe measurement guidelines.

#### **SCRUTINY & SHORTLISTING:**

- 1. A jury member who is associated with any participant or school will be exempted from giving marks to the participant(s).
- All participants qualified on/after the Semi Finale round will be awarded with participation e-certificates.
- 3. Only participants who qualified for the Grand Finale will be awarded with medals and trophies.
- 4. Jury's decision will be final and any form of appeal/dispute will not be entertained.

#### **OTHERS:**

- 1. VWU reserves the right to make amendments to the Rules and Regulations without prior notice.
- 2. Failure to comply with the VWU rules and regulations will lead to disqualification.
- 3. Registration constitutes acceptance of the Rules and Regulations.