

MTS Super Singer / Super Dancer 2017

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Rules & Regulations

Performance Guidelines

Contestant Levels

Junior : Age 7 to 12 years

Senior : Age 13 to 20 years

Adults : Age 21 and above

Selection Rounds

Super Singer:

Preliminary round - Oct 7th and/or Oct 8th

- For Preliminary round each participant will be asked to sing two songs.
- Participants can choose from any of these genres - folk, western, semi-classical, melody.
- The songs should be selected from Tamil movies only.
- Participants cannot repeat genres. They have to make sure that the two songs selected for preliminary round are of different genres.

Finals - To be announced

- For the final round each participant will be asked to sing one song.
- Participants **MUST** sing a song from Ilayaraja's music composition in order to be featured in Maestro's Music APP.
- Participants can choose from any of these genres - folk, western, semi-classical, melody.
- The songs should be selected from Tamil movies only.

Super Dancer:

Preliminary round - Oct 7th and/or Oct 8th

- For Preliminary round each participant will be asked to dance for 2 songs.
- Participants can choose from any of these genres - folk, western, semi-classical or classical.
- The songs should be selected from Tamil movies only.
- Participants cannot repeat genres. They have to make sure that the two songs selected for preliminary round are of different genres.

Finals - To be announced

- For the final round each participant will be asked to dance for one song.
- Participants can choose from any of these genres - folk, western, semi-classical or classical.
- The songs should be selected from Tamil movies only.

Event Rules

- Venue & appearing time will be communicated to registered participants.

- Participation is open for MTS members only. Participant Entry fee - \$20.
- The preliminary round will be held on Oct 7th and/or 8th, 2017.
- Please send the music track for preliminary round by Sept 24th, 2017.
- Songs should be in Tamil and must be selected from Tamil movies.
- Song selection has to be made and emailed before the due date specified for each round.
- For dance, lyrics and costumes should be appropriate.
- Registration should be submitted via online registration form by due date specified.
- Any music files for your program should be provided by the due date specified.
- Please provide high quality sounds tracks that will enhance your performance. MTS is not responsible, if the participant's score is negatively impacted due to the poor quality of track provided by the participant.
- Based on the volume of entry, performance time allocation will be decided by committee.
- Eliminations will be announced after end of every round.
- Finals will be held in October or November.
- Decisions of the judges are final.
- The top three finalists will be awarded on a big stage.
- More information will be shared with registered participants.

Super Singer Judges Score Evaluation Format:

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| ● Scale | 25 |
| ● Rhythm Awareness | 25 |
| ● Voice Expression/modulation | 20 |
| ● Tamil Pronunciation | 20 |
| ● Song Selection/Voice Suitability | 10 |

Super Dancer Judges Score Evaluation Format:

- Entry - 10
 - Conclusion - 10
 - Originality/Innovation - 10
 - Action (facial expression) - 10
 - Authentic Costume/Jewelry - 10
 - Authentic Song selection - 10
 - Steps, Choreography - 10
 - Rhythm - 10
 - Overall Impression - 10
- Super dancers are expected to show enthusiasm, authenticity by use of props, presentation, creativity, style/formation, good use of stage, good start and close, good song selection and good overall choreography.
 - MTS is not responsible for computer system, hardware, software, or program malfunctions or other errors, failures that are human or technical in

nature. But in case of Technical issues with Audio system or the Audio file itself, the contestants may be allowed to either start all over from the beginning or from the point at which interruption occurred.

- MTS reserves the right, in its sole discretion, to cancel or suspend all or any portion of this contest, or extend the duration of the contest, without notice if circumstances beyond MTS's control, including technical difficulties, disrupt or corrupt the fair or secure administration or operation of the contest.
- MTS is entitled to interpret these rules as needed and its decisions are final. If any issue arises, and is not clearly addressed in the rules and regulations, the decision of MTS shall be binding.
- By participating in the contest, you agree to release and hold MTS harmless and its officers, directors, affiliates, representatives or volunteers from any and all claims for damages, injuries, causes of actions, or losses of any kind sustained from your participation in this contest, including infringement of intellectual property rights.

MTS - Super Singer and Super Dancer FAQs

I am unable to log into www.dfwmts.org and register for the event, what do I do?

Send an email to technical team (techsupport@dfwmts.org) and your issue will get fixed.

I can log into the system, but I cannot access the rules and regulations document?

For your convenient, rules and regulations document appears in 2 places online. Please remember to check it. It is available on the home page and also in the page when you register and submit. Kindly stay close to the rules and regulations document available online at [Rules and Regulations](#)

What are the next steps after registration?

Registered participants will receive an email after all registration closes and details on the following will be clearly mentioned.

1. Appearing times on initial rounds – For super singer competition, 2 rounds will be held together and for super dancer competition, after completing the first round enough time will be given to the participants for changing costumes for second round that is appropriate to their genres.
2. Sending audio tracks – All sound tracks can be sent to an email address which will be announced to the registered participants. There will be no other background music or band allowed other than the karaoke track provided.

Is there any time limit for songs?

The ideal time limit for both songs and dance is 5 – 6 minutes for each song. The songs can be less than 5 minutes but cannot be more than 6 minutes. The same will apply for both singing and dancing competition.

Can the genres be mixed and can there be a fusion round?

Before participation, the participant is expected to announce their registration number, name, genre (category) and the name of Tamil movie the song appears. Mixing of genres is not allowed for any round.

Can the genres be repeated between rounds?

The participants are expected to show their versatility with different genres. Genres cannot be repeated during different rounds. In other words candidates who are selected for final round will need to perform for 3 different songs in different genres (2 for preliminary round and 1 for final round) and candidate who are not selected for final round will need to perform for 2 different songs (2 for preliminary round) in different genres.

What are different genres and what are their definitions?

Classical genre:

It is defined as a musical theme created by choosing a specific set of notes from within an octave. It is a combination of major and minor scales with melodic interludes. It is usually composed in a single Raga or can be a Ragamalika (combination of complimenting Ragas), and set to a single Talam, or have multiple complimenting jathis. It is traditional by nature and reminds us of yesteryear musical techniques. Extensive brughas or enunciations are illustrated while presenting songs in this genre. Importance is given to language, pronunciation. Pure or traditional Tamil lyrics are featured in songs pertaining to this genre.

Folk genre:

It is defined as a traditional, rural musical form. The urumee mellam remains as one of the more popular choice for folk music in rural Tamil Nadu and the ensemble is most often played with an urumee and the nadaswaram as the instrument. Popular Talams named after local rural deities include Kunhanada talam, Mangalanada talam and Karaganachi talam. Many movie songs feature these Talams and instruments. Lyrics are very decent, playful, enjoyable and a mellow underplayed rhythmic flow.

Western genre:

It is defined as a contemporary form of music that combines pop, rock, jazz and other alternate forms and fuses rhythm and style. Western style compositions in Tamil films are widely known for their innovation and eclecticism. Scores may showcase blends of Carnatic, Western and other instruments, with a range of melodic and rhythmic patterns, but with fast beats to set it apart from other genres. Recent trends show the prevalence of synthesizers and other electronic instruments. Songs on this genre have lyrics that may be too fast to comprehend or understand. But Tamil cinema has given many western hits with clear Tamil lyrics.

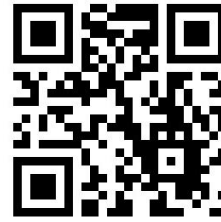
Melody genre:

It is defined as a pleasing series of musical notes that form the main part of a song or piece of music. It is not set to a fast pace like pure western style. The rhythmic tone is very mellow and slow flowing and moulds well with the song. The nature of the song is very emotional. The enunciations or brughas are not very intense or intricate. The choice of accompanying instruments are classical or semi-classical in nature. Songs feature lyrics that are clear and easy to pronounce.

Western Melody:

It is defined as a pleasing series of musical notes that form the main part of a song or a piece of music, accompanied by a mild yet prominent beat, using a western style instrument. The rhythmic tone is slow, but strong and gels with the song. The nature of the song is emotional and intense. The enunciations are modern. The choice of accompanying instruments are semi- classical (if western fusion), or western in nature. Songs feature lyrics that are easy to pronounce and enunciate.

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