



InConJunction Masquerade Instructions/Rules

Every year InConJunction hosts a costuming contest for our attendees so that they can display their creations and be judged amongst their peers. While presentation and performance add to the overall entertainment value of the masquerade, and are encouraged, the quality, creativity and aesthetics of the costumes will be the basis for the awarding of prizes.

All teen and adult contestants will be judged within a single category. Trophies will be awarded to the first, second and third place winners. There will also be a separate children's trophy (first place only) for the best costume by a child age twelve (12) or under. Teens will be judged in the adult category.

Instructions for Masquerade:

1. Entry forms for the masquerade are available at the registration table. There is no fee to enter. Entry forms must be turned into registration by 5 p.m. Saturday.
2. Contestants need to be in the hall behind Plaza D&E by 7:30 PM Saturday. The masquerade will begin at 8:00 PM or as soon as possible following the Art Auction in the Main Programming area (Plaza's C, D, E)
3. Contestants will be judged on quality, creativity, and aesthetics of the costumes. A presentation is NOT required to enter the masquerade. Please enter with your costume even if you don't have a presentation.
4. Costume & Presentation rules:
 - Costumes must not violate public indecency laws – no costume is no costume.
 - No real firearms allowed. Other weapons may be brandished only during your presentation. Weapons must be peace bonded at all times when you are not on stage. We suggest you practice with any weapons at home or in your hotel room, not in the hallways.
 - If your presentation includes the use of any thing that burns – from candles to sparklers – you MUST get advance permission from the Masquerade Committee Chair. Requests will be considered on a case-by-case basis, and must not violate public fire ordinances.
 - Please fill out your registration card carefully and neatly so the Toastmaster can read any material you want announced during your presentation. Please include "pronouncers" (pro-NOUN-cers) for any difficult names or words.
 - If you have music/sound effects in your performance, you will need to cue up audio cassettes, or use a post-it-note to indicate tracks on an audio CD, CD-ROM or DVD. Check with the AV staff after the masquerade for return of your tape/disk.
 - Please make sure your costume does not pose a hazard to you or anyone else. If your costume limits your vision and you will need assistance getting on/off the stage, please let the Masquerade chair or her assistants know prior to 8:00 PM.
5. Have Fun! That's why we're here, isn't it?