TMM Pongal ThiruVizha 2025 - Culturals guidelines

Cultural registration guidelines:

- All performances must be in Tamil.
- Each Participant can participate in only one performance.
- No Solo Performances allowed except Fancy dress for little kids.
- ONLY kids under 5 years are allowed for Fancy dress and will be given a maximum of 1 minute on stage.
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- Participant fees includes Entry and Dinner
- No participation fee for Fancy dress, its free and the slots are limited. So, hurry up and register! Send email to culturals@tmm-usa.org
- Registrations are OPEN and can be done ONLINE at https://www.tmm-usa.org

Cultural registration fees and time limits:

Duo performance (Limited to 2-3 slots only, first come first serve) - 2 participants - $40/- per participant 5-13 years old, $50 per participant 14 years and above.
Time limit NOT to exceed 5 minutes

Small Groups (Limited slots) - 3 to 6 participants - $20/- per participant 3-4 years old, $30/- per participant 5-13 years old, $40 per participant 14 years and above.
Time limit NOT to exceed 5 minutes

Standard Groups - 7 to 11 participants - $15/- per participant 3-4 years old, $25/- per participant 5-13 years old, $35 per participant 14 years and above.
Time limit NOT to exceed 7 minutes

Large Groups - 12 to 15 - $15/- per participant 3-4 years old, $25/- per participant 5-13 years old, $35 per participant 14 years and above.
Time limit NOT to exceed 10 minutes

Larger Group - 16 to 19 (Limited to 2-3 slots only, first come first serve) - $15/- per participant 3-4 years old, $25/- per participant 5-13 years old, $35 per participant 14 years and above.Needs minimum 12 participants 5 years and above.
Time limit NOT to exceed 12 minutes

Larger Group - 20 + or more (Limited to 1-2 slots only, first come first serve) - $15/- per participant 3-4 years old, $25/- per participant 5-13 years old, $35 per participant 14 years and above. Needs minimum 15 participants 5 years and above
Time limit NOT to exceed 16 minutes

Group Coordinator or Choreographer MUST register ONLINE for ALL participants. No separate payment from participants will be accepted for registration and if received will be considered as a donation to TMM.

Followed by online registration, Group coordinator or Choreographer MUST send all the below details along with music file (ONLY in MP3 format) by email to culturals@tmm-usa.org

CULTURALS Registration details:
(To be sent by email by the Group coordinator or Choreographer to culturals@tmm-usa.org)
1. ONLINE Registration Name : (Mention the name used at TMM website during online registration)
2. Amount paid : (Mention the total amount paid online including handling and paypal fee)
3. Name of the Performance : (Please give a unique name. eg. Gangster's Group dance)
4. Type of the Performance : (Skit, Singing, Dancing, Drama, Instrument, Comedy, etc.)
5. Participants information: (Please add more rows to accommodate all participants)

Serial no.	Name	Age	Email	Cell phone
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6. Length of the MP3 file : (add the exact length of the MP3 file)
7. Name of the song(s) and movie(s) : (Example: Hukkum from Jailer, ...)
8. Name of the Group coordinator/Choreographer :
9. Email ID of the Group coordinator/Choreographer :
10. Phone number of the Group coordinator/Choreographer :
11. Any special requirements : (Please comment here if you need Mike(s), sound setup, lighting adjustments etc.)
12. Will you bring additional props? (Yes/NO) (If Yes, the props should be organized on the event day only at the assigned spots)
13. Brief description about your program : (Provide any information you would like the EmCee to use to introduce your group to the audience)

IMPORTANT NOTES: Set up, Performance and Clean-up MUST NOT exceed the time limit mentioned in the Culturals Guidelines. NO PROPS should be left behind on the stage after the performance. TMM will not be responsible for lost or stolen items. Confettis, smoke or such Props that leave any trash on the stage are NOT ALLOWED. As per the safety guidelines of our venue, no hazardous or unsafe props will be allowed on stage or within the premises.Stage screen might be OPEN all the time and will not be closed after every program.

Program Confirmation: You will receive email confirmation from TMM cultural committee once the registration details are reviewed and slot is confirmed.
If you have any questions about the program or registration or any special category request, please email to culturals@tmm-usa.org

Culturals team will review all the details and send confirmation by email.

Time limit for MP3 file will be enforced. No EXCEPTIONS will be considered. MP3 updates are not allowed after Confirmation from the Cultural committee.

Only after receiving Online payment, Culturals registration email and MP3 file, your slot will be reviewed and confirmed.

No repetition of Songs or Music will be allowed for more than 2 slots. Anyone who registers and sends the songs first and second will get it. The cultural committee will ask for a song change if it is already taken by 3 other groups.

Send your registrations with an MP3 file at the earliest to avoid disappointment.

To know what songs are already taken, please send an email to culturals@tmm-usa.org. Note: Until your team is registered and MP3 is received by the Culturals committee, our team can't guarantee the availability of your selection of song(s).

No Registrations will be accepted after the Close date and time.

Reporting time will be notified in advance for all Cultural groups. All participants MUST be present at that time. LATE CHECK-IN WON'T BE ACCEPTED.

Group coordinator or choreographer MUST check-in all participants before Reporting time and get the Culturals program tag with slot number for all the participants.

Group coordinator or choreographer MUST bring all the participants backstage when their slot number is called by EmCees apx 3 programs before their slot and NOT earlier or later than that.

If groups are not available backstage at their allotted slot, TMM Culturals committee might decide to cancel the slot.

TMM will enforce all rules STRICTLY this year to respect the time of all Cultural participants and the audience. Please cooperate with us.

Registration is open now! Register ONLINE and Send ALL required details to culturals@tmm-usa.org.
Registration closes on Saturday Jan 4th 2025 11:59 PM EST.