



2014 7th Annual SINGLES Fursuit Dance Competition Format and Rules

I. Tryouts

- A. All competitors must try out. Tryouts must be in the same fursuit the competitor will be taking to Finals
- B. Tryouts are closed to the public.
- C. There will be multiple 30-minute tryout sessions. Each session will host 10 potential competitors. If demand is high enough, additional tryout sessions may be added.
- D. Competitors are strongly encouraged to **sign up for a tryout session** before the convention. Keep watching the FWA website for details on signing up.
- E. Only the top 15 contenders from Tryouts will make the Finals. Results will be posted in the headless lounge about an hour after the last tryout period ends.
- F. Tryouts will be in front of a panel of judges using the same judging criteria as the Finals. The Tryout judges will be different from Finals judges.

II. Music:

- A. Each competitor **must** try out with the same song that they plan to compete with in the competition.
- B. Performances are limited to a max of **90 seconds**. If a competitor's music is longer, the DJ will cut at the 90 second mark.
- C. Competitors are strongly encouraged to submit music before the con by emailing fursuiting@furryweekend.com. Please submit music by Tuesday, March 19th.
- D. If you do not submit music beforehand, please bring music with you on a USB Flash drive. Do not bring your music on mp3 players, phones, laptops, or CDs. We are not guaranteed access to the internet.

III. Judging and Awards:

- A. Judging will be based on three categories:
 - i. **Movement:** Originality of steps, variety of movements and degree of difficulty. Few repetitions and contrast of movements.
 - ii. **Execution:** Ease of transition between movement, continuous motion in dance. Dance free from hindrances or difficulties.
 - iii. **Presentation:** Movements are performed with vitality and energy. Dancers exhibit confidence, enthusiasm and charisma. The crowd gets into it.
- B. Only those finishing first, second, and third will be announced and ranked. Individual scores can be given to individuals through email or at the con privately.

IV. Awards:

- A. First Place - 2014 FWA God-Level Membership & 2013 FWA T-shirt
- B. Second Place - 2014 FWA Attending Membership & 2013 FWA T-shirt
- C. Third Place - 2013 FWA T-shirt

V. Regards

Please keep in mind that the purpose of this event is to have fun and put on a good show for everyone watching. We greatly appreciate everyone willing to try out and compete even if they do not end up winning the event. Be courteous and help make this a fun event for everyone! :-)