



On behalf of Mata'irea Polynesian Culture Preservation (MPCP) we'd like to thank all of you for your continued support for Te Fa'a Nō Te 'Ori Solo Competition. Due to Covid-19, we are excited to announce our first **VIRTUAL LIVESTREAM COMPETITION**. Although we are experiencing some troubling times our goal is to create an exciting experience for all contestants, whilst building strong partnerships with the Polynesian people and fostering awareness of the culture to our community.

Te Fa'a Nō Te 'Ori will be live streamed on Saturday, October 17, 2020!

Our phenomenal Masters of Ceremonies: *Mr. BiggJohn Gravieres* and *Mr. Roy Lamela*

Dates to remember: Registration deadline: September 8th, 2020
Video submission deadline: September 22, 2020

****DEADLINE DATES WILL BE STRICTLY ENFORCED****

New Category:

For our first Virtual competition we've added a **Master Class Division**. This category will consist of Vahine and Tane dancers ages 18 and over that have placed overall or taken 1st place in a Tahitian dance competition. A theme will be required for this category. The top scoring Vahine and Tane will each receive a round trip ticket to Tahiti, courtesy of our premier sponsor Air Tahiti Nui.

We hope our audience will enjoy wonderfully choreographed dancing, beautiful costumes, and sounds of Tahitian drum beats to fill your home during our livestream.

TE FA'A NO TE 'ORI 2020 AWARDS

- 1st, 2nd, and 3rd, place prizes will be awarded in ages 5 – 50+
- Jr. Overall Tamāroa and Tamahine certificate & cash prize will be awarded in ages 5-17 years
Advanced Division Only.
- An Overall Tane and Vahine certificate and cash prize will be awarded in ages 18 and up division.

MASTER CLASS AWARDS: Top scoring Tane and Vahine will each receive a round trip ticket to Tahiti, courtesy of our premier sponsor, Air Tahiti Nui Airlines.

(PLEASE NOTE: Air Tahiti Nui airport taxes are to be paid for by winners)

Te Fa'a Nō Te 'Ori

(The Valley of Dance)



Live Stream Solo Dance Competition

DATE: Saturday, October 17, 2020

TIME: 12:00 PM

Beginner and Advanced Divisions (**NO** Prelims)

- Ages 5 to 17 yrs.

One Division Only (**NO** Prelims)

- 18 – 50+ yrs
- Master Class (1 Vahine + 1 Tane winner)

Age categories:

Junior Division

Tamahine/Tamaroa/Taure'are'a

5-9

10-13

14-17

Senior Division

Vahine/Tane

18-24

25-34

35-49

Diva Division

Vahine/Tane

50+

Master Class (One division)

Vahine/Tane

Dancers who have placed overall and/or 1st place 18yrs. & over

Soloist must participate within their division and age category.

Solo Registration Fees - US Dollars:

Ages 5 – 50+ \$40

Master Class \$50

All Soloist registration will be done ONLINE

Registration fees are NON-REFUNDABLE

SOLO COMPETITION RULES AND REGULATIONS

DANCER CRITERIA

BEGINNER SKILL LEVEL

- Dancer must NOT have made finals or placed in ANY Tahitian Dance Competition
- Dancer MUST have their Pupu Ori (Group Director) email the beginner dancer confirmation form stating that they have never placed or made finals in any Tahitian Dance Competition. If the participant is an independent dancer, they will sign for themselves verifying that they have never placed or made finals in any Tahitian Dance Competition. Beginner dancer applications without receipt of director verification will not be processed.

ADVANCED SKILL LEVEL

- Dancers who do not meet the above criteria will be considered experienced and MUST compete in the advanced category of their age division.

MASTER CLASS

- Dancers must have placed overall or 1st place to enter this division. You will be required to have a theme in this category.

AWARDS

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd place awards will be presented for each category in both Beginner and Advanced divisions. We will also award (4) Overall Winners. Junior overall Tamahine, Tamāroa and Taure'are'a division for ages 5 to 17, and Senior overall Tane and Vahine for ages 18 to 50+. These overall dancers will be chosen from 1st place winners in the *Advanced Division only*. There will be no overall winner in the beginner divisions.

JUDGING CRITERIA

TECHNICAL AREAS: Variety and difficulty of dance steps, confidence, endurance and knowledge of traditional steps and Fa'arapu or pa'ote. Minimum of 5 traditional steps.

ARTISTIC AREAS: Costume, gestures, grace and elegance, creativity, facial and body expressions, ease and comfort with the dance, and how your movements flow with the drum beats.

MASTER CLASS DIVISION JUDGING CRITERIA: *Themed solo required.*

TECHNICAL AREAS: You will be judged on the variety and difficulty of dance steps, confidence, endurance and knowledge of traditional steps.

ARTISTIC AREAS: Costumes, gestures, grace and elegance, creativity, facial and body expressions, ease and comfort with the dance, and how your movements flow with the drum beats. Judges will also be looking at how cohesive your costume and routine are with your selected theme.

Drum beats

Drum beats will be provided for all soloists. There will be a different beat for each category: Beginner, Advanced, and Master Class. Please note that you will not be able to use a beat from a different category. Failure to use the designated beat for your category will result in an automatic disqualification.

Beginner: 1 min
Advanced: 1½ min
Master Class: 2 min

Costumes

TAMAHINE/TAURE'ARE'A/VAHINE

- NO rolling Pareo, NO hip or hand held adornments, fresh, dry, artificial, floral/plant materials are allowed.
- Pareo can be rayon, or cotton, NO silk or Synthetics are allowed
- Pareo must be side tie, and no more than (2 inches) above the top of the knee.
Hei Upo'o (Head Hei) must be worn.

TAMAROA/TAURE'ARE'A/TANE

- Tihere, Maro, rayon or cotton, No hip or hand held adornments, fresh, dry, artificial, floral/plant materials are allowed.
- Chest pieces are allowed, and cannot extend past the shoulders
- Leg adornments are allowed, but must only be 6 inches long (no exceptions)
- Hei Upo'o (Head Hei) must be worn.

APPLICATION: ONLINE REGISTRATION ONLY

- To register please go to: WWW.MATAIREA.ORG

A scanned copy of a signed Hold Harmless Agreement, along with a scanned copy of a signed Director Verification Form (for those entering a beginner category), must be attached to the online application in order for the application to be valid. So before you begin the application process, print out those 2 documents first, complete them and get them signed, then either scan the document (or take a picture with your phone), and then attach those scanned documents to you online application.

- For questions and additional information , please email us at: yo@tamariimatairea.com

Application Deadline Date: September 8, 2020

You will receive an email by *September 9th*, with your name, number, and category, along with a link to the beats. You will then send us the link to your video by replying to the email that was sent to you with your beat.

Video Submission Deadline Date: September 22, 2020.

Video upload instructions can be found on pages 6 and 7.

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DIRECTOR VERIFICATION FORM

SOLOIST AGES 5 – 17 BEGINNER

SOLOIST NAME _____

AGE: _____ BIRTHDATE: _____

NAME OF PUPU 'ORI (GROUP) _____

DANCE HISTORY _____

I verify that the above-named dancer has never advanced to the finals round or placed in any "Ori Tahiti dance competitions and should be placed in the "BEGINNER DIVISON".

Pupu Ori (Group name) _____

Group Director Name: _____

Group Director's Email; _____

GROUP LEADER SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

Te Fa'a Nō Te 'Ori

HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

(Must have Solo Application & Beginner Soloist Director Verification Form attached to be valid)

Each participant/vendor/organization shall hold harmless and indemnify Mata'irea Polynesian Culture Preservation (MPCP), Tamari'i Mata'irea Polynesian dance group, MPCP organizing committee, its board, officers, volunteers, Play Back Memories Productions, and YouTube from all liability, claim or demand which liability, claim or demand may be made by reason of:

Any injury to persons or property sustained by any person during the taping of submitted videos, firm or corporation caused by any act, negligence, default or omission of the participating organization or any person, firm or corporation directly or indirectly engaged by it upon or in connection with the event, whether the injury while filming videos to be submitted.

The furnishing of use of any copyrighted or non-copyrighted composition, secret process, Patented, or non-patented invention, article, or appliance during the event.

The participating organizations at its own cost, expense and risk shall defend all legal Proceedings that maybe brought against the committee, its board, officers and volunteers on any such liability, claim or demand and satisfy any of them whether or not the liability, claim or demand was actually or allegedly caused wholly or in part through the negligence or other implying conducts of any of them.

The participating organizations or individuals participants agree to allow Mata'irea Polynesian Culture Preservation, Tamari'i Mata'irea, and the Te Fa'a Nō Te 'Ori to use their image(s) or likeness for advertising purposes, and allows Mata'irea Polynesian Culture Preservation (MPCP)/Tamari'i Mata'irea to videotape and photograph of their performance for the Virtual Te Fa'a No Te 'Ori 2020 virtual competition, or for their archives, and use on the Te Fa'a Nō Te 'Ori website, YouTube, and all other related media. By registering for this event, and signing this hold harmless agreement for this livestream event, to be shown on Te Fa'a No Te 'Ori's Social media and website, you agree with all policies stated in this hold harmless agreement, and are held accountable to abiding by all rules set forth within the completion rules and virtual competition.

(Individual Name/Organization/Pupu 'Ori)

(Contact Name/Ra'atira Pupu 'Ori)

(Email Address)

(Signature) if Under 18 parent signature required

(Date)

Participants Date of Birth _____

VIDEO SUBMISSION GUIDELINES:

Please read and follow all video submission instructions

Video submission deadline date: September 22, 2020

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Video is to be recorded with camera, smart phone, or tablet using the back camera lens only (no front facing camera videos). It must be recorded in landscape mode in mp4 format, HD 720dpi.

Minimize background items so that the dancer is clearly visible.

Make sure dancer is visible at all times from head to toe so that the judges can see the dancer's entire body.

No other individuals should be seen or heard in the video except the dancer.

To ensure that the judges can clearly see your routine, please record your video from the front view.

You will not be able to switch solo numbers or solo beats. These will be assigned to you.

Your video cannot be edited or contain any graphic, filters, intros, or exits.

No group names or banners are allowed to be visible in videos.

Please allow 4-6 seconds before you start music, and allow 4-6 seconds after the music stops before ending your recording.

Videos will be reviewed before being submitted to the judges. Videos that aren't clear will not be used, and participant will be notified. It is advised that you send in your video before the video submission deadline date in case resubmission is needed.

IMPORTANT: Please put your music sound source close to the device you'll be recording your solo with.

SOLO RECORDING EXAMPLE:

NO Vertical recording



Horizontal/ Landscape



4 STEP INSTRUCTIONS FOR REGISTRATION + VIDEO SUBMISSION:

Step 1:

- Submit solo application online by visiting www.Matairea.org

Step 2:

- Once your application has been processed, an email will be sent out by September 9th, with your attached solo beat. You must receive this email before moving on to *Step 3*.

Step 3:

- If you don't already have one, create a YouTube account.
- Sign in to your YouTube account.
- Go to your **My Videos** page.
- Select the video which you'd like to make an unlisted video. Click the **Edit** button to access the video's settings.
- Go to the Privacy section on the page. There you'll see the option to mark your video as "unlisted", "public", or "private". **Select unlisted.**
- Please name your video: **TFNT0 2020**
- Don't forget to click the **Save changes** button. Once you've done this your video will be an unlisted video.

Step 4:

- Once you've successfully uploaded your video to YouTube as an unlisted video, you can then copy the link to your video and send it thru reply to the same email you received your beat from.