



bhangra *in the* burgh

EXHIBITION APPLICATION





welcome

Dear Prospective Exhibition Act Team,

The Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board of Carnegie Mellon University in Pittsburgh is proud to present our ninth annual Bhangra Competition on Saturday, November 7th, 2015 at Soldiers and Sailors Museum and Memorial Auditorium in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Bhangra in the Burgh is a platform for top Bhangra teams from across the nation to showcase their talent in a colorful exhibition of the energy and excitement that Bhangra represents.

Since our first competition in 2007, Bhangra in the Burgh has grown exponentially and currently stands as one of the largest student-run events in Pittsburgh. Over the past eight years, Bhangra in the Burgh has successfully attracted a wide audience each year and raised a total of over \$75,000 for charity. With Bhangra in the Burgh 9, we hope to raise a substantial amount for The Pittsburgh Promise, a local charity in Pittsburgh that seeks to provide scholarships for urban youth.

Additionally, Bhangra in the Burgh hopes to showcase several exhibition acts throughout the show. We are looking for performances that will add cultural flair, unique talent and exciting variety to the evening. The opportunity to be considered as an exhibition act is open to all individuals and groups with a talent to share with the community.

Please complete the following application packet and ensure that we receive the packet and all supporting materials by **11:59 pm on Friday, October 16th, 2015**. Applications received after the above-mentioned date will not be considered for participation.

After receiving your registration materials, we will notify your team's primary contact of your participation status no later than Monday, October 19th, 2015. You will have 24 hours to confirm your participation in the event.

Thank you for your interest in Bhangra in the Burgh 9. More information about the venue, committee, and event will be available at www.bhangraintheburgh.org. Feel free to contact us at bhangraintheburgh@gmail.com if you have questions or concerns.

We look forward to your application, and hope to see you on November 7th, 2015!

Best Regards,

Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board



about us

Bhangra in the Burgh

The Bhangra in the Burgh Executive Board takes pride in hosting another successful Bhangra in the Burgh in November 2015! Our objective is to expand the outreach of the competition and showcase the culture, zest, and energy of Bhangra. Being a part of a multicultural community like Pittsburgh, we are very excited that our efforts can also raise funds for The Pittsburgh Promise, a local charity. After having hosted eight enormously successful shows, we invite you to an even bigger and better Bhangra in the Burgh!

Mayur SASA

Mayur SASA, Carnegie Mellon's largest South Asian organization, is a highly active, student organization that sponsors and organizes various social and cultural activities for students. Mayur SASA reaches to not only the South Asian community, but also strives to promote unity, diversity, and interest in the South Asian cultures. The organization's events cater to a variety of interests and motivations and thus attempt to attract all of the student body. In an effort to extend its cultural influence outside of the Carnegie Mellon community, Mayur SASA works closely with the Bhangra in the Burgh Executive Board to achieve its vision.

Philanthropy

Since its founding, "The Pittsburgh Promise has sought to promote academic success and encourage students and their communities to dream big and work hard toward high aspirations and hope. It aspires to replace the deadly culture of low expectations that often permeates urban schools with the belief that inside every child is a promise, and with the appropriate care, effort, and needed resources, that promise will undoubtedly be fulfilled." To date, The Promise, has funded over 64 million dollars in scholarship money. Their efforts have shown visible effects on the city of Pittsburgh as the city's post-secondary education enrollment with two years of high school graduation has increased by 10 percent.

The values and goals of The Pittsburgh Promise are near and dear to the Bhangra in the Burgh Executive Committee. We are honored to be given the opportunity to support such a tremendous organization.



application, selection & notification

Application Requirements

1. Submit the basic information form and be sure to accurately list all team members' names and email information. On the day of the competition, all members will be asked for valid photo IDs matching the names listed (unless an updated roster is later submitted).
2. Submit an audition video no shorter than two minutes and no longer than six minutes of your team's routine. Your team's video must be taken after March 1st, 2015. Once we receive your application materials, we will send you a link to upload your video to our Google Drive.
3. Submit a team photo and logo.

Selection

The Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Committee will only review fully completed applications that are received by **11:59 pm on Friday, October 16th, 2015**.

Notification

Teams will be notified of their entry status by **Monday, October 19th, 2015**. Teams will be expected to confirm participation within 24 hours and will then receive supplemental information within one business day.



basic information

Team Name: _____

University Representing (If Applicable): _____

Team Captain's Contact Info:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Primary Phone: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP Code: _____

Please list all participants, managers, and instrumentalists on the following page (Note that on day of competition, all participants will be asked for photo IDs which must match names on this list unless updated in the final team roster due on October 23rd, 2015).



basic information

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competition rules & regulations

1. The competition is open to any collegiate or independent team.
2. The Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board reserves the right to refuse the registration of any team.
3. All application information must be received by 11:59 pm on October 16th, 2015.
4. Final team rosters must be submitted by October 23rd, 2014. Any changes to the roster must be submitted immediately to Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board.
5. On the day of the competition, each member of a team must present their photo ID in order to enter the venue and perform.
6. Each performance must be a minimum of seven minutes and cannot be longer than eight minutes.
7. A mandatory dress rehearsal, beginning at 9 am will be held on the day of the show. Each team will be assigned 30 minutes of stage time. If any team misses its assigned time slot, they will not be reassigned to practice their routine on the stage.
8. All music must be on one continuous track. Any breaks, pauses, or blank time must be pre-recorded into the track.
9. No team will be allowed to view another team's performance under any circumstances, including dress rehearsal, prior to the actual competition.
10. No dancer will be allowed to perform for more than one team.
11. Consumption of alcohol or illegal substances at the competition venue will not be tolerated. Violation will result in the disqualification and expulsion of the team. Furthermore, no smoking is allowed at the competition venue.
12. No team will be permitted to use any props that will alter the stage in any manner. The Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board reserves the right to deny the use of any props.
13. A prop list must be sent to the Executive Board with the post-acceptance packet. Any changes made after submission of the packet will result in a \$10 fee per change, at the discretion of the Executive Board.
14. Due to the fact that Bhangra in the Burgh is affiliated with Carnegie Mellon University, we must abide by the institution's guidelines for all financial purposes. All independent teams applying to the competition must have a university-affiliated account in order to



be paid the full prize money if they place. In the event that an independent team does not have a university-affiliated account, the individual receiving the prize money will have to pay taxes on said moneys by the end of the year.

- 15. A complete list of the venue's rules will be sent to accepted teams.
- 16. Obnoxious, rude, impermissible behavior will not be tolerated at the hotel or after-party. This may be grounds for point deduction or disqualification.
- 17. Any damage to any of the venues, facilities, and/or transportation will be the liability of the team.
- 18. All team members and team managers are responsible for rules outlined.
- 19. The Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board reserves the right to add new or updated rules upon their discretion with regards to the venue and the competition. All teams will be notified via email of any such changes.



final checklist

The following materials must be received:

1. Completed basic information form
2. Submission of 2-6 minute audition videotaped after March 1st, 2015

Your team's contact person will be informed once all materials have been received. After the Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board reviews your team's completed registration packet, your team's contact person will be contacted by October 19th, 2015 regarding your team's status in Bhangra in the Burgh 9.



contact us

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact us at bhangraintheburgh@gmail.com.

Website: www.bhangraintheburgh.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/bhangraintheburghofficial

Twitter: www.twitter.com/bhangraintheburgh

Instagram: www.instagram.com/bhangraintheburgh

Once again, thank you for your interest in Bhangra in the Burgh 9. We look forward to receiving your application!

Best Regards,
Bhangra in the Burgh 9 Executive Board