



Newsletter

"SPORT OF THE ARTS"

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BY THE EXECUTIVE BOARD OF DIRECTORS (EBOD)

Welcome 2017...

Hard to believe our first contest of the 2017 indoor season is fast approaching. AIA is working diligently to have everything ready for you and we want to wish everyone the best of luck for your season.

Be on the lookout for the following:

1. The newsletter may come out more often based on need.
2. Judges Critique links from Sign up Genius.
3. An updated contest host guideline to help hosts prepare for their shows.
4. Answers to frequent questions.
5. General instructions on forms needed and how/when to pick up credentials.
6. Much much more.

Show Registration...

Membership contest registration went pretty well on December 1. Thank you to everyone who have asked questions and signed up already. Your questions help AIA to better serve you and prepare for next season.

If anyone has not signed up for contests, please do so by accessing Competition Suite. You must be noted as an administrator on your schools account in order to sign up for any contest. Perform the following to register for an event:

Sign in to Competition Suite

Click the unit you are registering (either your winterguard or your percussion unit)

Select event registration

Check out (you can either pay via credit card, Paypal, or by check)

Remember the March 4 contest at Potomac and Wakefield are now open to all classes of color guard. So don't forget to sign up for those events.

The Spotsylvania contest registration will end on Friday, January 13, and the Powhatan contest registration will end on January 27. All contest registration closes on February 1, 2017.

Links for You...

If you are unable to just click the link to access the information, please know they can also be accessed on the AIA webpage and will be posted on the AIA Facebook page. You may also be able to access the links by placing your mouse on the link, hold down your control button and left click on your mouse.

Atlee @ Hanover Critique:

www.SignUpGenius.com/go/409044EA5A829A3FA7-atlee

Spiel Sheet:

https://docs.google.com/a/atlanticindoor.org/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfUITR3raCnT3uTMYBf8nzKkgPCmyg2anZ3E_zmBAS7Kyzmyw/viewform

Copyright Form:

<http://www.atlanticindoor.org/images/Copyright Document 2016.pdf>

Of note...the copyright form must be turned in on your first competition day. Please remember to bring them with you.

A Note from Your Color Guard Coordinators...

Shelba Waldron, who judges for AIA, has a blog dedicated to color guard called "Growing Up Pageantry". She has written about numerous topics creating a trove of educational information for instructors, students, parents, and anyone interested in learning about this fascinating art. Her most recent post, "The Best Way to Achieve Low Box 4 and Stay There!", offers straight-forward practical advice to "A" class instructors on how to structure their show and their instruction to achieve success on the floor. Check out Ms. Waldron's blog at <http://paradigmwinterguard.blogspot.com/>

More info to Show Hosts...

Remember to send your gym flow (enter/exit and horizontal/vertical time line), and school migration maps to AIA at web@atlanticindoor.org 4 weeks prior to your event so we can post the

maps on the web page for all the units to see how to fold their floors and get the lay of the land...so to speak. Submission of these maps is your responsibility for hosting an event and is very helpful to all participants. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

A Word from a Sponsor/Supplier...

One of our sponsors and trophy supplier, Crown Trophy would like everyone to remember you must contact them directly if you would like a specific name to appear on your contest trophies...something other than the high school name. For example, if you wanted to name your contest, "The Spartan Classic" as opposed to the high school's name, you must contact Crown Trophy at the number noted below...



(919) 462-9157 (phone)

(919) 462-9257 (fax)

www.crowntrophy.com/store-146

Mitchell Cooper (owner)

Social Media...

Social Media Update! Follow AIA this season for updates, pictures, and more at the sites noted below!!

Facebook: Atlantic Indoor Association Official Facebook Group

Twitter: @AIAWinterguard & @AIAPercussion

NEW! Instagram: @atlanticindoor

Use #aia2017 throughout the season so we can repost, retweet, and keep up to date with all of our member units!

As always, visit the AIA web page for information, newsletters, contest news, and so forth.

Competition Suite...

A few things to notice when navigating through Competition Suite...

1. If you want to see who is registered for an event, click on "Events", look for the event you want, then click on the numbers to the right of the event name. It will look like: Registered: 20/60 or something to that affect. A window will open and you can see who is signed up by class.
2. If the contest sign up has closed for an event, that event will no longer be seen on the event registration page.