

SCVFA Youth Fiddle Contest

Sunday November 1, 2009

The **Santa Clara Valley Fiddlers Association** is holding a **Youth Fiddle Contest** to encourage the playing of traditional fiddle music by young people. The contest will be held November 1, 2009 at the regular SCVFA Jam. **Location:** Hoover Middle School, 1635 Park Ave. (entrance on Naglee Ave.) in San Jose (*see www.scvfa.org*). **Schedule:** Check-in 1:00-1:30, Division 1 starts at approximately 1:45pm.

Summary of the rules: (*For the official rules, download the contest information packet from our website.*)

- Three Divisions by age: **Div 1:** 8 and under; **Div 2:** 11 and under; **Div 3:** 16 and under.
- Each contestant plays two tunes: one fiddle tune and one tune of player's choice, up to 4 minutes combined.
- Each contestant may have up to two accompanists, who may not play the melody. (Call if you need one.)
- Scoring will be based equally on rhythm, intonation & tone quality, style, and difficulty (25% each).
- Only one round will be played. At the sole discretion of the Contest Committee, ties based on total points may be resolved, e.g. by considering the judges' individual ordinal rankings, or duplicate awards may be made.

Due to time limitations, **the contest is limited to 25 contestants**, with 5 spots reserved for each division until the early-registration deadline. Entrants beyond that will be wait-listed. Register early to reserve your place!

To Register in Advance: fill in the registration form below, and deliver it with your entry fee:

- By mail: SCVFA, P.O. Box 2666, Cupertino, CA 95015-2666. Make checks payable to SCVFA.
- By hand: Bring it to the regular October 5th SCVFA jam, 1-5pm at Hoover School (contest location).

You may also reserve a space by faxing the entry form to us at (408) 255-5775 and sending payment to reach us by the October 29th early-registration deadline. After October 29th, priority will be given to paid applications.

Early Registration Fee: \$5 for payments received by Wednesday October 28, 2009.

After October 28, the registration fee will be \$10.

Registration fee includes one Adult Admission Pass (\$5 value). Bring a parent, accompanist or friend for free!

Check-in for registered contestants and **on-site registration** is from 1:00-1:30. You must check in and get a number, even if you have registered. Entrants who have not checked in by 1:30 may be moved to the wait-list.

Admission: Adults \$5 (or free with Adult Pass). Children 16 and under are free.

Questions or problems? Email or call Pete Showman: ContestInfo09@scvfa.org, (408) 255-0297.

Registration Form - SCVFA Youth Fiddle Contest 2009

Contestant's Name _____ Age _____ (years,
as of Nov 1, 2009)

- Division 1: 8 and under
 Division 2: 11 and under
 Division 3: 16 and under

Parent or Guardian Name(s) _____

Mailing address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone No.(s) (_____) _____ day/eve?

Email(s) (PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY) _____

Would you like to be notified about future SCVFA special events? Yes No

Optional (but helpful):

Tunes you will play* _____

** If known. The tunes can be changed; just let us know by the time you check in at the contest*

Teacher's name: _____

How did you hear about the contest? _____