**Seventh Annual Oklahoma Intercollegiate Forensics Association Tournament**

Forensics Colleagues and Friends:

We would like to invite you to the seventh annual Oklahoma Intercollegiate Forensics Association Tournament. The tournament will be held at Oklahoma City University on February 26th and 27th 2016. The organization is offering a tournament open to any college and university. Additionally, the tournament will also serve as the Oklahoma state championship and Oklahoma Interstate Oratorical Association National qualifier.

We hope that you will join us at what will be a fun and exciting event. Tournament rules and schedule are on the following pages. Please take special note of the rules for persuasion. Also, please note that the tournament is in a different building than previous years.  Registration, topic announcements, and postings will all be in the Walker Center at 26th and N. Florida Ave.

Please submit entries on joyoftournaments.com . The entry deadline is at 5 PM CST on 2/22/2014. The drop deadline is at 5 PM CST on 2/24/2014.

Sincerely,

Kristopher Copeland Garrett Castleberry

OIFA President Tournament Host

Northeastern State University Oklahoma City University

**7th Annual Oklahoma Intercollegiate Forensics Association Tournament**

**Schedule**

Friday February 26, 2016

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| 11-11:45 a.m. | Registration Walker Center 151 |
| 11:45 p.m. | Parliamentary Debate Round 1 |
| 1:00 p.m. | Parliamentary Debate Round 2 |
| 2:15 p.m. | Parliamentary Debate Round 3 |
| 3:30 p.m. | Parliamentary Debate Round 4 |
| 4:45 PM | Dinner Break |
| 5:30 p.m. | Parliamentary Debate Round 5 / Readers Theater |
| 7:00 p.m. | Parliamentary Debate ¼ Finals |

Saturday February 27, 2016

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| 7:30 a.m. | IE Only Registration Walker Center 151 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Extemp Draw |
| 8:00 a.m. | IE Pattern A Round 1 |
|  | LD Debate Round 1 |
| 9:15 a.m. | IE Pattern B Round 1 |
|  | LD Debate Round 2 |
| 10:30 a.m. | IE Pattern B Round 2 |
|  | LD Debate Round 3 |
| 11:45 a.m. | Parliamentary Debate Semi-Finals, Lunch Break |
| 12:30 p.m. | Extemp Draw |
| 12:45 p.m. | IE Pattern A Round 2 |
|  | LD Debate Round 4 |
| 2:00 p.m. | Pattern B Finals, LD Semi-Finals |
| 3:15 p.m. | Extemp Draw |
| 3:30 p.m. | Pattern A Finals, LD Finals |
| 4:30 p.m. | Parliamentary Debate Finals |
| 6:00 p.m. | Awards |

Pattern A: Prose, Poetry, Extemporaneous, Persuasive, Communication Analysis

Pattern B: After Dinner Speaking, Duo Dramatic Interpretation, Dramatic Interpretation, Informative, Impromptu, POI

LD participants can enter only one other IE event per pattern except for Extemporaneous Speaking.

**Rules and Procedures**

Rules for all events

* No speech or program used by the contestant in competition shall have been used prior to August 1st preceding the tournament.
* Speeches must be the original work of the student.
* AFA-NIET rules shall be followed for all individual events except Persuasion.
* Debate events shall follow the rules of the appropriate national association.

Persuasion / Interstate Oratory Qualifier Rules

* The oration must be delivered without the aid of notes or manuscript.
* No oration shall contain more than 1800 words. (Although no minimum word limit is established, a 1500 word minimum is suggested.)
* For purposes of definition, quoted words are those written or spoken by a person other than the orator. Such quoted matter shall be limited to 20% of the total number of words in the oration. Direct discourse, dialogue or other stylistic devices within quotation marks created by the orator SHALL NOT be included in the 20% total.
* All quoted materials shall be documented.
* A copy of each contestant’s oration should be sent at least two weeks before the Interstate Contest or brought to the tournament. Submit manuscripts to [copela03@nsuok.edu](mailto:dschabot@cameron.edu)
* Only contestants from an Oklahoma college or university are eligible to qualify for the Interstate Oratorical Association through this tournament.

Readers Theater (Following Phi Rho Pi rules)

* An interpretation of literature by a group of oral readers who act as a medium of expression for an audience. A team is limited to a minimum of three (3) and a maximum of fourteen (14) participants.
* The time limitation for the performance is twenty-five (25) minutes.
* The audience must have a sense of production being interpreted from a manuscript. Director, performer, and judges should be allowed freedom to exercise artistic, interpretive judgment; however, manuscript(s) must be interpreted from during the presentation.
* Suggestions in contemporary or ensemble dress may be used. The literature should determine the nature of this suggestion, although costuming should not be a focus of this presentation.
* Reading stands, chairs, stools, ladders, platforms, steps, props, lighting effects may be used. HOWEVER, facilities limitations (space equipment, time etc.) should govern a director’s choice.
* Readers may stand, sit, or both and may move from one locale to another so long as the movement is consistent with the ideas or moods of the literature and the director’s concept.
* Music/sound effects recorded or live, are acceptable as background accompaniment and part of the context. Since the emphasis of Interpreters Theatre is on oral interpreting, complicated musical arrangements that dominate or distract from the oral interpretation will be considered inappropriate.
* A performer whose sole function is to play a musical instrument on or off-stage will be counted in the 14 person limit.

Sweepstakes and Tabbing

* All rules are printed in the OIFA Constitution and By-Laws

Tournament Recommended Hotels

**Crowne Plaza Hotel (405) 848-4811 (877) 227 6963**

Distance from campus: 5.7 miles

2945 Northwest Expressway, Oklahoma City, OK 73112

**Hampton Inn Northwest (877) 947-0953**

Distance from campus: 4.5 miles

3022 Northwest Expressway, Oklahoma City, OK 73112

**Best Western Saddleback Inn and Conference Center (405) 947-7000**

Distance from campus: 5.9 miles

4300 SW 3rd St, Oklahoma City, OK, 73108

**There are also several Hotels around the Airport and the I-44 and Classen/Western Ave Area that are close to the University**

Tournament Fees

Make all Checks Payable to Oklahoma City University

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| IE Entries |  | @ $10 |  |
| Uncovered IE Entries |  | @ $15 |  |
| NPDA Entries |  | @ $40 |  |
| Uncovered NPDA Entries |  | @ $60 |  |
| LD Entries |  | @ $20 |  |
| Uncovered LD Entries |  | @ $30 |  |
| Reader’s Theater |  | @ $40 |  |
| Total |  |  |  |

Fees will be assessed at 5 PM on Wednesday February 24th 2014. The following nuisance fees will be applied to changes after that time, Debate Drop $50; IE Drop $25.

One judge covers 6 IE slots and 2 NPDA teams or 3 IE slots, 1 LD entry, and 2 NPDA teams or 2 LD entries and 2 NPDA teams.