



**REGULATIONS ON THE II INTERNATIONAL PRIZE
IN THE FIELD OF PERFORMING ARTS “FOLK STAR”
1.12-12.12.2022**

Organizers:

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PRIZE INFO:

The II International Prize in the field of performing arts "FOLK-STAR" (hereinafter referred to as the Prize) is held in honor of the Year of Cultural Heritage of the Peoples of Russia to popularize the traditional folk culture and preserve the multinational cultural heritage of Russia.

The main objectives of the Prize:

- Acquaintance with the cultural heritage of the peoples of Russia
- Identification and promotion of the best folk performers
- Improving the professional skills of art directors and teachers
- Development of friendship, mutual understanding and cultural cooperation between creative teams of the Russian Federation, CIS countries and foreign countries
- Education of the younger generation in the spirit of patriotism and the formation of mutual respect for the cultural traditions and customs of other ethnic groups
- Development of public diplomacy through the establishment of cultural ties between the peoples of different countries

NIZHNY NOVGOROD:

Nizhny Novgorod is one of the oldest cities and the most beautiful cities in Russia, which traces its history and development since the 13th century AD. The city is located at the confluence of the Volga and Oka rivers, just 400 km. from Moscow (about 4-5 hours by car), right in the center of the East European Plain. It is Russia's fifth largest city and the administrative centre of Nizhny Novgorod Oblast and the Volga Federal District. There are a huge number of ancient monuments, interesting architectural structures and other attractions that distinguish this place from hundreds of other cities. Nizhny Novgorod has still retained the spirit of antiquity, which is also confirmed by numerous traditions.

PRELIMINARY PROGRAMME:

Until November 25, 2022- Submission of applications

December 1 - Publishing of videos of online participants on the organizer’s group page <https://vk.com/club103352485>

December 1-4 - Online voting for the People's Choice Award until December 4

December 2 - Arrival of offline participants to Nizhny Novgorod

December 3 - Competition. Gala concert. Battle for the absolute winner. Rewarding.

December 4 - Sending the results of the Prize. Departure of offline participants

December 5-12 - Sending diplomas and thankful letters to online participants

PRIZE NOMINATIONS:

- I. **Folklore** - theatrical performances, rituals, unique original genres - epic, legends, throat singing and others.
- II. **Vocal** - authentic, folk, folk in modern arrangement in any genre: classical academic singing, pop singing, jazz, etc.
- III. **Folk instruments** - orchestras, ensembles of folk instruments and individual performers
- IV. **Choreography** - folk dance, folk stylized dance, ethnic dance, modern dance, pop dance, dance show
- V. **Fashion theaters** - national costume, ready-to-wear, evening wear, historical costume, modern costume, fancy dress

AGE CATEGORIES:

Junior: 7-9 years old

Middle: 10-12 years old

Senior: 13-16 years old

Youth: 17-45

Adult: 45 and over

- ✓ Attention: In the nomination "Fashion theaters" nominees are not divided by age categories.

ROUNDS OF THE PRIZE:

The absolute winners of the Prize are determined in 2 rounds:

- **I ROUND**-Qualifying. All participants of the Prize who have submitted an application participate in the I ROUND. According to the results of the I ROUND in each nomination and age category, the titles of Laureates of I, II, III degrees, as well as the title of Diploma winners are awarded.
- **II ROUND**-Super final. Only 14 nominees for the FOLK STAR Prize, who scored the most points, are allowed in the II ROUND. During the Gala Concert the battle for the absolute winners of the II International Award in the field of Performing Arts "FOLK STAR" is held. The Grand Jury, consisting of the Professional and Honorary Juries, determines the absolute winners.
- According to the voting results, 7 Prize nominees become GRAND PRIX winners, and 7 Prize nominees, who are absolute winners, are awarded the FOLK-STAR titles in the following nominations:
 - 1) The best folk group
 - 2) The best vocal group
 - 3) The best dance group
 - 4) The best performer of folk music
 - 5) The best soloist
 - 6) The best national costume
 - 7) The best stage costume

PARTICIPATION TERMS:

- Both amateur and professional children's, youth and adult dance ensembles, choirs, vocal ensembles, soloists, instrumental groups, folklore groups, fashion theaters performing works based on national (folk, folklore) material of any country both authentic and in modern arrangement are invited to participate in the Prize.
- To participate in the Prize, you must submit an application before November 25 and pay the festival participation fee.
- Online participants have to send a video of performance.
- Each participant of the I ROUND performs 1 competitive work based on the national (folk, folklore) material of any country, both in authentic and modern arrangement.
- Participants of the 2nd ROUND-Super final perform 1 competitive work.

VIDEO REQUIREMENTS:

- Both amateur and professional videos can participate. The shooting might be carried out on stage or home premises, as well as video from another competition or concert is allowed.
- Videos should be recorded without editing in one frame.
- Orientation - landscape.
- Only the competitive performance of the participants is presented on the video (full concert or video clips as well as video-presentations are not allowed).
- The faces, hands, feet of all participants in the video should be clearly visible.
- The video recording must be the original without the use of filters and other methods of correction or editing.
- By sending a link to the video, the participant automatically confirms his/her consent to the use of the material by third parties (organizers, jury members, other participants of the competition), as well as to post the video on the organizer's website. The participant is responsible for complying with copyright laws and correctness of the materials provided.
- The file name must be made in the following form: City - Team - Number name. For example: India-Royal Folk-Bhangra

GRAND JURY:

- To identify the winners of the Prize, a Grand Jury consisted of a Professional and Honorary Jury is created. Grand Jury includes cultural and art figures, famous artists, art-directors, teachers, representatives of creative, public and government organizations in Russia and foreign countries.
- The professional jury selects the laureates and diploma winners of the 1st ROUND. Performances are evaluated on a 10-point system.
- The Honorary Jury, together with the Professional Jury, selects 7 absolute winners of the Prize by voting.
- The list of members of the Grand Jury is not disclosed until the start of the competition.
- The Chairman of the Professional Jury is also the Chairman of the Grand Jury and has the right to 2 votes in case of a dispute.
- The professional jury may decide to cancel the competition in one of the nominations or combine the age categories specified in this regulation due to an insufficient number of applications submitted.
- The decision of the Grand Jury is final and not subject to discussion.

EVALUATION CRITERIA:

- Technique of performance - the level of skill and artistry, the degree of mastery of the techniques of folk performance;
- Artistic impression - the artistic value of the repertoire (ethnographic accuracy or dignity of processing or stylization of a work), reflection of the national material and its unique regional features, conformity of styles, manners of performance of national oral, musical, singing, dance traditions;
- Presentation - the artistic level of design (costumes, props) and its compliance with national traditions, the use of traditional musical instruments;
- Difficulty of performance and compliance of the repertoire with age

AWARDING:

- All Laureates and Folk Star winners are awarded with diplomas.
- The best groups and individual performers are invited to participate in tours and folklore festivals in Russia and abroad on a free or preferential basis.

FINANCIAL CONDITIONS:

- Financing of competition and festival events is carried out at the expense of targeted contributions (donations) of the participants of the event.

Online participation fee (donation):

Soloist – 19 euro

Duet – 30 euro

Trio – 36 euro

Quartet – 40

Ensemble from 5 participants – 6 euro per person

Online participation fee (donation) includes:

- an international diploma
- the letter of thanks to the Art Director

Payment order:

- Registration to the festival will be made after 100% prepayment is made to the Organizer's account.
- If the festival package fee is paid by an organization, you must provide details of the legal entity.
- In case of refusal to participate in the Prize or non-attendance, prepayment is not refundable.

APPLICATION:

- Participants, along with the application, provides:
 - Information about yourself (no more than 10 lines)
 - Color photo - strictly 1 piece
 - Video (only online participants)
- By submitting an application for participation in the Prize, the team/participant agrees to the terms of the Prize, the use of photo and video materials of the participant for publication in social networks, and also agrees to the collection, processing and storage of personal data by the organizers of the competition in accordance with the legislation of the Russian Federation (dated July 27, 2006, No. 152-F3).
- Applications are accepted until November 25 through our website <https://folkstar.artpro.art> or via mail northernrainbow@mail.ru.

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