



The Archonettes of Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter
Zeta Phi Beta, Incorporated
STOMP FEST 2K11



"Helping Other People Excel Through Knowledge of Healthier Steps in Our Community"
April 15 - 16, 2011

Youth Step Competition Rules & Guidelines

This show is a youth competition; all competitors must be currently enrolled in a elementary, middle or high school, and under the age of 18. Elementary competitors will be judged as a separated division. Any may enroll as an exhibition only team. If a contestant is over 18, proof of current middle or high school enrollment is required at registration.

Attire & Footwear

The gym floor may be covered to protect it, so please be mindful of the surface when planning your routine. Step team uniforms must fit properly and be in good taste for a youth event. No mid-riffs, short shorts, tight-fitting clothing, or see-through material will be allowed. All team members shall remain fully clothed and covered at all times during their performance.

Trophies

All step teams will compete for three trophies 1st Place, 2nd Place, and 3rd Place. In the event of a tie, a 'step-off' will be held to determine the winner.

Team Registration Fees

Team registration is \$50 (1-20 participants) or \$75 (21 or more participants) and needs to be postmarked no later than March 19, 2011. A late registration fee of \$10 will be required for all registrations postmarked after March 19, 2011. **No registrations will be accepted after March 23, 2011. There will be no onsite registration.**

Team slots are limited this year to 12 teams and placement in the show will be decided during check-in on the day of competition. Participants and two (2) team coaches/advisors listed on the original registration form will be allowed to attend the show for free. You may purchase tickets for the step competition show for \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door as long as tickets last. At least one adult Team Coach/Advisor must accompany the team. Teams without adult supervision present will not be allowed to perform. Please be prepared to show identification.

Step Competition Check-In for Saturday, April 10, 2011

Teams must check-in at the step show site 2 hours prior to the event, scheduled for a 6:00 p.m. start time; doors will open at 5:30 pm. All team members and coaches/advisors must arrive together. A drawing for placement in the line-up will be held with the team coaches/advisors in attendance. Any team not present at the time of the drawing with their coach/advisor will be placed into an open slot by the show coordinator.



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Time Limit

Each performance has a time limit of ten (10) minutes. The timing will begin when the first team member is visible to the judges and will end when the last team member has exited the staging area. Two (2) points will be deducted for the first minute over the time limit, and one (1) point will be deducted for each additional minute. For example, times exceeding ten (10) minutes but less than ten (10) minutes and 59 seconds will be deducted a total of two (2) points. Those times between eleven (11) minutes and eleven (11) minutes and 59 seconds will be deducted a total of 3 points, and so forth.

Judging & Score System

The Judges’ panel will consist of representative members of the Tallahassee area NPHC. Judging and scoring will be based on the following 0-5 rubric, with ‘0’ being the lowest, and ‘5’ being the highest:

Choreography	0	1	2	3	4	5
Variety, complexity						
Overall flow of routine – entrances and exits						
Precision	0	1	2	3	4	5
Rhythm, timing, synchronization						
Proper execution of step, formation changes						
Presentation/Showmanship	0	1	2	3	4	5
Ability to capture audience attention						
Overall appearance						
Adherence to step show theme	0	1	2	3	4	5
Originality	0	1	2	3	4	5
Uniqueness, appeal						
Creativity						
Projection	0	1	2	3	4	5
Sound quality						
Voice clarity						

MAXIMUM POINTS = 30 points.

The Judges’ scores are final. Step teams may review their final scores at the close of the event.



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Proper Code of Performance Conduct

Profanity, vulgarity, cursing, derogatory remarks, lewd gestures, etc. will not be tolerated and will result in point deductions by the judges or possible removal and immediate disqualification from the competition. Each judge will be allowed to deduct three (3) points for anything they consider inappropriate; which can be, but is not limited to, any of the above issues in speeches, chants, music, moves or acts.

Music

The audio system will be provided by the event host. The step team's music should be ripped to a CD. Music (CD) must be provided at team check-in. Label the CD with your team's name. Bring a back-up CD. Music **MUST** be the clean/edited versions. No profanity is allowed in music selections. If profanity or vulgar language is heard in your music, you will not be allowed to use it in your performance. Should your music not be available for review at this time, you will not be allowed to use that music during your performance. A team musical assistant must be stationed with the Dee Jay to cue queue the music during performance.

Props

Step teams are allowed to incorporate props into their routines and must supply their own props. Fire burning props are not allowed for safety reasons. Props may be inspected prior to the performance.

Liability

The parent/guardian for each step team member must sign a liability waiver (HOLD HARMLESS FORM) prior to or on the day of the event. Teams will not be allowed to compete unless all team members have signed waivers and registration fees will be forfeited. Team Coach/Advisors are responsible for ensuring compliance with all safety rules. Teams who do not comply with safety rules and instructions may be disqualified.

Attitude

Step teams and their respective organizations and supporters should maintain a positive, respectful and sportsmanlike attitude for all other teams throughout the competition. Unsportsmanlike conduct may be grounds for disqualification.



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Weekend Itinerary

Please note – day events are free and open to the youth in the local community and abroad.

Friday, April 15, 2011

- 5:30pm Hospitality Suite for out-of-town guests
Jack L. McLean Jr. Community Center
700 Paul Russell Road
Tallahassee, FL 32301
- 7:00pm Stepping with Knowledge and NPHC Exhibition
Jack L. McLean Jr. Community Center Gymnasium

Saturday, April 16, 2011

- 8:00am Continental Breakfast
Jack McLean Community Center
700 Paul Russell Road
Tallahassee, FL 32301
- 9:00am **STOMP FEST Workshops --**
Jack McLean Community Center Gymnasium
- Workshops topics to be discussed will include fitness, healthy lifestyles, safe dating, self awareness, peer pressure and more.*
- 12:00pm **STOMP FEST PICNIC**
Jack McLean Community Center Gymnasium
- 1:30pm **Florida A&M University Campus Walking Tour** – Hosted by Gamma Alpha Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated (Optional – Transportation will not be provided)
- 2:45pm **Florida State University Campus Walking Tour** – Hosted by Rho Kappa Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated (Optional – Transportation will not be provided)



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6:00pm **STOMP FEST Youth Step Competition **Performers must be present by 5pm.**
Tallahassee Community College Ballroom
444 Appleyard Drive
Tallahassee, FL 32304

Sunday, April 17, 2011

9:30am Fellowship Service
Quality Inn & Suites
2020 Apalachee Parkway
Tallahassee, FL 32301



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HOLD HARMLESS RELEASE AGREEMENT

Locations: Jack McLean Community Center, Tallahassee Community College, and Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter

The below signature is required if you are a minor (under 18 years of age).

I am aware that my son/daughter, _____ (PRINT NAME), is participating in STOMP FEST 2K11 in Tallahassee, FL on Friday, April 15 through Sunday, April 17, 2011. During his/her participation in this event, travel may be involved. In addition, I agree to the following items:

1. I agree that my child’s participation in any STOMP FEST activities connected with or stemming from STOMP FEST is entirely voluntary. I know I should not enter this activity unless I am medically able to participate and by a signature below attest that I am medically fit to participate.

I further state that I am aware that resulting injuries can range from minor to serious including broken bones, loss of limbs, paralysis and death. Additionally, I am aware of the common dangers and risk of various means of transportation.

2. That in consideration of my child’s participation in this program, I agree, on behalf of myself, my assigns, executors and heirs, to release and hold harmless the following organizations: The Archonettes of Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Jack McLean Community Center, Tallahassee Community College and their trustees, officers, employees, and agents from any and all liability, damage or claim of any nature whatsoever arising out of my participation.

3. I understand that the The Archonettes of Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Jack McLean Community Center, Tallahassee Community College may not provide any accident or medical insurance.

4. I have read and understand the terms of this release and agree to all terms and conditions.

5. I am of lawful age and legally competent to sign this waiver and release, and I have signed this document as my own free act.

6. I hereby consent to any publicity, including the use of my name and likeness, in connection with my participation in STOMP FEST sponsored by the The Archonettes of Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., and community partners.

Print name _____

Sign name _____



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Date _____

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I _____ (PRINT NAME), am the parent/legal guardian of _____ (PRINT NAME). (I have read the above warning and understand its terms.) I acknowledge that participating in the above event can involve risks of injury, including, but not limited to those outlined above. In consideration of the The Archonettes of Alpha Upsilon Zeta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Jack McLean Community Center, Tallahassee Community College and the organization permitting my child to participate in the above-named event and engage in the activities related to the event, I hereby agree to hold those organizations harmless from any and all liability, actions, causes of action, debts, claims, or demands of every kind and nature whatsoever which may arise by or in connection with the participation of my child in this event.

Parent/Guardian _____

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date _____

NOTE:
This form must be signed and dated for your child to participate in STOMP FEST 2K11



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STEP AND EXHIBITION TEAM REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Step Team

2. Sponsoring Organization of Step Team and Street Address

3. Team Coach/Advisor Contact Information

Name _____

Physical Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Cell # _____

Home # _____

4. Total Number of Members Performing in the Youth Step Competition on Saturday, April 17, 2011 including ages or range of ages

5. Approximate Number of Non-Steppers Traveling with your Team (Parents, Advisors, Fans, etc.)

Step Team Registration Fees

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P.O. Box 10668
Tallahassee, FL 32302
Contact Person: Aidia Kirksey-Mills
850.556.1318 or stompfest@alphaupsilonzpb.org



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NON-STEPPING GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Group

2. Sponsoring Organization of Group and Street Address

3. Team Coach/Advisor Contact Information

Name _____

Physical Address _____

E-mail Address _____

Cell # _____

Home # _____

4. Approximate Number of Members in your Group including ages or range of ages (e.g., 11 – 14, etc.)

Please return this registration form and your money order/cashier’s check made payable to Tallahassee Stork’s Nest with “STOMP FEST 2K11” in the memo line to:

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Completing this form allows us to properly plan for the food and beverages provided during our weekend of events. You may purchase tickets for the step competition show for \$6 in advance and \$8 at the door as long as tickets last.



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ADVANCE T-SHIRT and TICKET FORM

To assist with ordering the correct number of STOMP FEST 2K11 T-shirt sizes, please provide us with the number of T-shirts your organization would like to purchase. The T-shirts will be available for purchase throughout the weekend. Deadline for Advance T-shirt orders is March 23, 2011. After this date and on the days of the event, T-shirts will be \$10. 3X T-shirts will increase to \$13. If you or parents/friends/supporters are interested in purchasing advance Youth Step Competition Tickets for Saturday, April 16, 2011 at \$6 each, please complete the form below. The ticket price will be \$8 at the door on the day of the event, but be sure to reserve your seat now!

Pre-sale T-shirts are \$8 in the sizes of: Adult M, L, XL, 2X and Youth: 14-16.

Pre-sale T-shirts are \$10 in the size of: 3X.

ORGANIZATION NAME _____

ADVISOR NAME _____

ADVISOR CONTACT NUMBER(S) _____

	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL	Adult 2X	Adult 3X	Tickets	Total # T-shirts	Total Value
Price							XXX	XXX
Quantity								XXX
Cost							XXX	

<i>EXAMPLE</i>	Adult M	Adult L	Adult XL	Adult 2X	Adult 3X	Tickets	Total # T-shirts	Total Value
Price	\$8	\$8	\$8	\$8	\$10	\$6	XXX	XXX
Quantity	5	0	2	2	1	5	10	XXX
Cost	\$40	0	\$16	\$16	\$10	\$30	XXX	\$112

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