

SCVFA Youth Fiddle Contest

Sunday November 6, 2011

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 6, 2011 at the monthly SCVFA Jam.

Location: Hoover Middle School, 1635 Park Ave. (entrance on Naglee Ave.) in San Jose (*see www.fiddlers.org*).

Schedule: Check-in 1:00-1:30, Division 1 starts at approximately 1:45pm; awards ceremony approx. 4:30-5.

Summary of the rules: (*For the official rules, download the contest information packet from fiddlers.org/contest.*)

- Three Divisions by age: **Div 1:** 8 and under; **Div 2:** 11 and under; **Div 3:** 17 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 is scheduled. At the sole discretion of the Contest Chairman, ties based on total points may be resolved by analyzing the judges' detailed scoring, or a playoff may be used (the tied contestants may play the same tunes as in the regular round), or duplicate prizes may be awarded.

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 3rd 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 November 2 early-registration deadline. After November 2, priority will be given to paid applications.

Early Registration Fee: \$5 for payments received by Wednesday November 2, 2011.

After November 2, the registration fee will be \$10 (at the contest, or call to hand-deliver it by Friday Nov. 4). Registration fee includes one Adult Admission Pass (\$6+ 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 SCVFA memb. \$6, non-memb. \$8 (or free with Adult Pass). Children 17 and under are free.

Questions or problems? Email or call Pete Showman: ContestInfo11@fiddlers.org, (408) 255-0297.

Registration Form - SCVFA Youth Fiddle Contest 2011

Contestant's Name _____ Age _____ (years,
as of Nov 6, 2011)

- Division 1: 8 and under
 Division 2: 11 and under
 Division 3: 17 and under

We hope to make a video of the contest.
Check here if you do not want this entrant included.

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 by email about future SCVFA youth activities? Yes No

Tunes you will play* _____

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

Fiddle Teacher's name: _____

How did you hear about the contest? _____