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This packet has been designed to assist you with your trip and performance preparation. Please read this information thoroughly and share it with your group.

## Disney Performance Standards

A great show is the most important objective for your performers and their Disney audiences. Please use this information in preparing for your performance. All participants are expected to adhere to the *Walt Disney World*® Performance Standards to ensure a safe and successful show experience.

### A Show Content

- Our Disney audiences expect your very best performance.
- Your performance should be consistent with the style and quality reflected in your audition.
- All music, lyrics, and show content must be suitable for a family environment.
- No identifiable character artwork or any other copyrighted or trademarked material may be used on props, banners, instruments, or costumes.

### B Costuming and Appearance

- Costumes or uniforms are required for all performers, directors, and assistants appearing with the group. Mascots or identifiable characters are not allowed.
- All costumes and uniforms must be well maintained. Shoes, socks, jewelry, and accessories should be uniform in style and color.
- Jeans, T-shirts, tank tops, shorts, and athletic attire must be pre-approved by the *Disney Magic Music Days* office.
- Chewing gum, food, and drinks are not allowed during your performance.
- If you have any questions about your group’s costumes or uniforms, please contact a *Disney Magic Music Days Guest Talent Coordinator* prior to your departure at 800-359-0509 option 4.
- *Disney Magic Music Days* reserves the right to determine costuming and appearance compliance.

### C General Information

- All shows must be thoroughly rehearsed prior to your arrival. **Rehearsal facilities are not available.**
- All performances must begin and end on time (20 – 25 minutes maximum depending on location). Showtime should account for all music, transitions between songs and time for applause.
- Friends and family members may not enter any Pre-Show or backstage areas.
- Costumed performers may not enter guest areas before, during, or after their performance.
- The distribution or sale of printed material or merchandise is not permitted.
- **Photography and video taping in backstage and Pre-Show areas is strictly prohibited.**
- Performances may be re-scheduled if possible, or cancelled due to inclement weather or other scheduled events.
- Performance dates, times, and locations are subject to change.



# STAGE PERFORMANCE GUIDELINES

## A General Information

Please plan a maximum 25-minute performance including time for announcements, transitions, and applause.

- Set-up and strike time is very limited. Please avoid programming selections with extensive technical, prop, or costume requirements.
- The stages do not have curtains. Please prepare an organized entrance to, and exit from, the stage.
- Most stages do not have wings, so performers must always remain in character and focused on the show, since they will be in constant view of the audience. If the stage has wings, costumed performers must remain back-stage when not performing.
- Bayonets, sabers, knives, fire batons, confetti, fog, or pyrotechnics **are not permitted under any circumstances.**
- PROPS:
  - All props must be pre-approved by *Disney Magic Music Days* or they may not be used. Backdrops or set pieces are not permitted at any stage.
- DANCERS:
  - The types of stage floor surfaces vary.
  - Unitards or body suits are required for groups making any costume changes since some venues do not have a protected changing facility.
  - Performers must wear full soled shoes at all times. Dance paws, lyrical sandals, foot thongs, and other shoes of this type are not permitted.
- After your performance, your group must make an immediate, formal, and organized exit from the venue. Performers may not stop to visit with audience members.
- Please note that you will have to carry all performance equipment that is not provided by *Disney Magic Music Days* from the pre-show location to your venue through a guest area.
- Indoor, or covered rehearsal space is **not** available for your group. The group will have an opportunity to warm-up, but it will be outside near your parked bus transportation.

## B Technical Support

- Please check your Stage Plot for a list of equipment that may be available for your performance.
- Only *Walt Disney Entertainment* technicians operate the sound system. Someone from your group may sit in the booth to assist with your show.
- The final placement, number of, and type of microphones used will be at the sole discretion of *Walt Disney Entertainment*.
- The Walt Disney Company will provide all sound equipment.

## C Accompaniment Track Preparation

If you are planning to use recorded musical accompaniment, please follow these guidelines to ensure the highest quality recording:

- Work with an experienced audio technician
- Use CD format only and label each with group name and selection title
- If music includes instrumental and vocal lines, record them on separate tracks (i.e., instrumental = right channel, vocal = left channel)
- Combine all music on one CD; if this is not possible, have each CD clearly labeled
- Review your final recording prior to your trip
- Bring a back-up copy of your recording
- **All music and lyrics must be suitable for a family audience**

*Disney Magic Music Days* reserves the right to adjust or eliminate performance music based on these criteria.

