



Centralian Eisteddfod FAQs

What's an eisteddfod?

It's a competition to decide the best singer, player, dancer, orator, recitalist – soloists, duets, trios, quartets, groups, choirs, bands, large mobs doing any of these. We are encouraging talent and aim to promote excellence in performance.

Who can enter?

Entrants are aged from about 5 to any age. Our youngest ever dancer was less than six months!

When is it held?

Over 6 – 10 days. In 2011 it starts 4th June and runs until June 16th. [School entries occur in school time]

Where do I get the Syllabus?

The syllabus is posted as a PDF on our website www.centralianeisteddfod.org

Where do entrants perform?

This year we'll be using the stage of Araluen "in the round" as a performance venue for solos, duets, and groups. Dance, choirs, large bands will perform on the stage with the full theatre.

Is it expensive?

Entry Fees: Solos, \$5 to groups \$15

What do I get?

There are many trophies and prizes. There are certificates for "First", "Highly Commended" and "Participation" and everyone receives a critique written by the adjudicator.

Who judges the performance?

We employ experienced adjudicators to assess performance, write a critique and talk to the audience about performance.

Can anyone come to watch the performances?

Anyone can come to watch performances. There are usually 3 sessions a day. Morning, afternoon and evening.

Does it cost to be in the audience?

There are admission charges to single sessions and season passes. Participants in a session are free.

Single Session Tickets: Adult \$3; Child/Concession \$1

Season Ticket: Family \$20; School \$50

Who provides the funding to hire the Araluen Theatre, pay the adjudicator and trophy costs?

NT Government through the Department of Education; Community Benefit and Alice Strings Town Council through the Araluen Access Grant.

What's the Centralian Eisteddfod Council's Purpose?

The objects and purposes of the Association are as follows:

- (a) To conduct an annual eisteddfod in Alice Springs.
- (b) To encourage talent within the community by providing opportunity for assessment and development and a platform for building confidence.
- (c) To promote the creative and performing arts and to nurture awareness and appreciation of these.

The Centralian Eisteddfod Council encourages talent within our community. The eisteddfod is a platform for growing confidence and we provide informed, constructive feedback. Our Eisteddfod is designed to encourage participation, to inspire and to recognise excellence and to present new challenges each year. Council believes that this will promote the creative and performing arts, nurturing awareness and appreciation.