

2020 Off-Broadway Swing

December 5 – 6, 2020

Nassau Community College

&

Hofstra University

The forensics programs of Nassau Community College and Hofstra University would like to invite you to the 2020 Off-Broadway Swing! **The swing will be held virtually via the Speechwire and Yaatly platforms**. Both halves will feature all 11 AFA-NIET events. In addition, the NCC portion (Saturday) will feature IPDA debate, while the Hofstra portion (Sunday) will feature NPDA debate and NFA-LD. What follows is all the information you should need to plan your trip, but feel free to contact Tomeka or myself if you have any other questions. We’re looking forward to hosting you this December!

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Using Yaatly –

1. Navigate your browser (use ONLY Google Chrome) to app.yaatly.com. You will be sent an event invitation URL to this end as well.

2. Set up your team’s organization. This is typically done by the DOF/Head Coach.

3. Add members (coaches, students) to your Organization by using the "Invite Members" button.  Accepting the emailed invitation will automatically make those coaches & students members of your organization.

4. When you accept tournament invitations (emailed by those tournaments' organizers) or when you create your own event, those events will appear on your organization's home page under "Events”.

Using Speechwire For Judges– (A judging account will be set up for you by the tournament director!)

1. Go to [live.speechwire.com](http://live.speechwire.com/)

2. Log in with your email and password

3. See your e-ballots on that page once they are released

4. Click an e-ballot and click start when the round has begun

Registration

1. Each school may enter a maximum of 6 students per event.

2. Each student may enter up to 3 events per pattern. However, STUDENTS ENTERED IN DEBATE MAY NOT CROSS-ENTER IN INDIVIDUAL EVENTS ON THE SAME DAY!!

3. Patterns will be as follows:

 PATTERN A: Impromptu, Drama, ADS, CA, Prose

 PATTERN B: Extemp, Persuasive, POI, Duo, Poetry, Informative

4. Registration will be via Speechwire. All schools must submit their entry by Wednesday, December 2 @ 1PM EST.

Fees

FOR THE NASSAU CC HALF, MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

FACULTY/STUDENT ASSOCIATION OF NCC

FOR THE HOFSTRA UNIV. HALF, MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY

**ALL FEES MUST BE ARRIVE AT THE RESPECTIVE INSTITUTIONS NO MORE THAN 3 WEEKS AFTER THE TOURNAMENT, UNLESS PRIOR ARRANGEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE.**

1. The following slot fees shall be assessed:

 School fee $25 per school per half

 I.E. slot $8 each

 IPDA/NFA - LD $20 per debater

 NPDA $20 per team

2. Fees for uncovered slots/debaters will be assessed as follows:

 Uncovered IE slot = $10 per slot

 Uncovered Debate = $ 30 per debater or team

NOTE: ALL TEAMS MUST COVER AT LEAST 50% OF THEIR ENTRY!!!

3. Fees will initially be calculated on Wednesday, Dec. 2nd at 2pm. Add/drop fees will be assessed as follows:

 Add/drops on Thursday, Dec. 3rd : $15 per change plus entry fee

 Drops on Friday, Dec. 4th incur a $30 per drop plus entry fee

 NO ADDS ALLOWED ON FRIDAY, DECEMBER 4TH !!!

 Drops on Saturday, Dec. 5th: $50 per drop plus original entry fee

 Drops on Sunday, Dec. 6th: $100 per drop plus original entry fee

 NO ADDS ALLOWED ON SATURDAY OR SUNDAY!!!

3. Each judge can cover 8 slots and 2 debaters/teams. Please make every attempt to cover your entry. As the saying goes, we’d MUCH rather have your judges than your money. Schools are responsible for entering their judges as the right judge type when it comes to calculating fees.

4. Judges who fail to pick up ballots will render their students ineligible for elimination rounds.

5. Judges will be used in both debate and individual events unless otherwise noted. Judges are obligated to judge one round past their student’s elimination.

Competition Rules

1. AFA-NIET rules and descriptions will govern all AFA-NIET events. Phi Rho Pi rules will govern IPDA and NPDA. NFA rules govern NFA-LD. Please make note of these rules, as they may differ from tournaments in your region. There will be no C/X in the final round of Extemp.

2. As per new AFA-NIET language, the use of the Internet and/or electronic files are permitted in Extemp.

3. On Saturday (NCC portion), we will offer one division of Individual IPDA debate. Please make note of the following rules:

 a. Debaters will be presented with five resolutions. Both debaters will alternatively strike two resolutions each, starting with the negative. The 30-minute preparation period begins at the first negative strike. We will follow the time constraints set forth by the IPDA: 5-2-6-2-3-5-3.

 b. During prep time, students are allowed to access any prepared material and/or electronic materials. This includes access to the Internet. In addition, students are allowed to prep with other students, but NOT COACHES.

 c. All preliminary rounds will be randomly preset. Brackets will NOT be broken in elimination rounds.

 d. Topic draw will take place in the competition room. Further info can be found at www.ipdadebate.info

4. On Sunday (Hofstra portion), we will offer one division of NPDA debate and NFA-LD. Please make note of the following rules:

 a. Teams will be presented with three resolutions. Both teams will alternatively strike one resolution each, starting with the Opposition. The 15-minute preparation period begins after the judge announces the decided resolution. We will follow the time constraints set forth by the NPDA: 7-8-8-8-4-5. In addition, both the Leader of Opp and Member of Govt are granted 2 minutes of flex time before their constructive; the Member of Opp and Prime Minister are granted 1 minute of flex time prior to their constructive and their rebuttal respectively. This time may be used to ask questions and/or prepare speeches.

 b. During prep time, students are allowed to access any prepared material and/or electronic materials. This includes access to the Internet. In addition, students are allowed to prep with other students and/or coaches.

 c. All preliminary rounds will be randomly preset. Brackets will not be broken in elimination rounds.

 d. Topic draw will take place in the competition room.

5. Also on Sunday (Hofstra portion), we will offer NFA-LD.

 a. The 2020 -21 resolution shall be used.

 b. All preliminary rounds will be randomly preset. Brackets will NOT be broken in elimination rounds.

 c. Time limits: 6-3-7-3-6-6-3 with 4 minutes of flexible prep time.

 d. All participants in NFA-LD are advised to visit the NFA website and familiarize themselves with the NFA-LD by-laws.

6. NO disclosure in debate rounds. Please turn in ballots before offering any oral critiques.

Awards

1. Awards will be presented to each finalist in individual events. Certificates will be emailed to coaches after the tournament.

2. In debate, there will be two elimination rounds. Debaters reaching the first elimination round receive Bronze. The winners of the second elimination round receive Gold, while the other debater(s) received Silver.

3. In individual events, sweepstakes points are awarded as follows:

 12 points – 1st place in finals

 10 points – 2nd place in finals

 8 points – 3rd place in finals

 6 points – 4th place in finals

 4 points – 5th place in finals

 2 points – 6th/7th place in finals

4. In debate, sweepstakes points are awarded as follows:

 5 points for each prelim win

 2 points for reaching Bronze Round

 2 points for reaching Gold Round

5. In addition, the top speakers and schools will be recognized. Students must be entered in four events to be eligible for individual sweeps; schools must be entered in BOTH debate and IE to be eligible for overall sweeps.

SCHEDULE FOR INDIVIDUAL EVENTS (ALL TIMES EASTERN STANDARD TIME)

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| Nassau CC portion – Saturday, December 5Registration (TBA)11:00am Round 1A12:15am Round 2A1:30pm Lunch (on your own)2:00pm Extemp Draw2:15pm Round 1B3:30pm Extemp Draw3:45pm Round 2B5:00pm Finals A6:15pm Extemp Draw6:30pm Finals B8:15pm Awards (TBA) | Hofstra Univ. portion – Sunday, December 6Registration (TBA)11:00am Round 1A12:15am Round 2A1:30pm Lunch (on your own)2:00pm Extemp Draw2:15pm Round 1B3:30pm Extemp Draw3:45pm Round 2B5:00pm Finals A6:15pm Extemp Draw6:30pm Finals B8:15pm Awards (TBA) |

SCHEDULE FOR DEBATE (ALL TIMES EASTERN STANDARD TIME)

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| Nassau CC portion – Saturday, December 5Registration (TBA)11:00am Round 1 IPDA12:15pm Round 2 IPDA1:45pm Round 3 IPDA3:15pm Round 4 IPDA5:00pm Bronze Round IPDA6:30pm Gold Round IPDA8:15pm Awards (TBA) | Hofstra Univ. portion – Sunday, December 68:00am Registration (TBA)11:00am Round 1 NPDA/LD12:15pm Round 2 NPDA/LD1:45pm Round 3 NPDA/LD3:15pm Round 4 NPDA/LD5:00pm Bronze Round NPDA/LD6:30pm Gold Round NPDA/LD8:15pm Awards (TBA) |