

# World Children's Day

## Cultural Song Competition

As we acknowledge World Children's Day we have selected one of the rights from the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child as the theme for this competition.

### Theme of Submissions:

- Every child has the right to rest, relax, play and to take part in cultural and creative activities.

### Rules:

- The cultural song competition is open to all children in Trinidad and Tobago, including children from Community Residences and Child Support Centres.
- Songs are to be no longer than three (3) minutes and must have two verses and a chorus.
- All songs must be submitted with a completed entry form. Forms are available on the Authority's website.
- Entries should have child's name, school and age, and must be accompanied by a short explanation of the piece (50-100 words).
- Each participant is allowed to submit one entry.
- All entries must be an original composition by the child.
- Entries may be submitted in the MP4 or WMV video format.
- Any participant found to be in breach of the guidelines herein stated will be disqualified.
- Judges decisions are considered final.
- The Children's Authority reserves the right to use the submitted song and video for display and promotion after the competition; artists will however be given due credit.

Children of employees of the Children's Authority of Trinidad and Tobago are not eligible to enter this competition.

### Submission Requirements:

- Do not edit vocal and video submissions.
- Mixing and mastering of audio is not permitted
- Songs and performances are to be submitted as recorded.
- All submission must be in alignment with the above stated theme of the competition.

## Video Submission:

- All videos must:
  1. Be no longer than 3 minutes in length.
  2. Be original content and the child must be part of the video presentation.
  3. Be uploaded to YouTube and link included, saved to a google drive or one drive with all supporting documents or sent to the Authority's email address.
  4. Be free of pornographic, racist, obscene language or behaviour, illegal or otherwise inappropriate material. Videos submitted with such content will be automatically disqualified.
- Song and performance will be judged on the following criteria:
  1. Creativity
  2. Melody and diction
  3. Interpretation of given theme
  4. Motivation and inspiration
  5. Overall impact
  6. Video does not need to be professionally produced. In fact, we discourage it. We prefer a more down-to-earth style video production. Can be produced using your phone, computer, webcam or other video tool necessary to get your message across.
- No copyrighted materials (music, images, etc.) may be used for this contest unless you own the copyright or have a license to use the material for this contest. Written permission must be obtained and provided upon request for all copyright materials.
- No professional assistance is allowed. Adults may assist with production but are limited to verbal guidance only. Adults are allowed to be actors or camera operators but not content contributors.

Submit videos with completed entry form to the Children's Authority of Trinidad and Tobago email address: [info@ttchildren.org](mailto:info@ttchildren.org)

## Deadline for Submissions:

Please note that the deadline for all submissions is Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2022 at 4:00 PM. Submissions after this date and time will not be acknowledged.

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