

General Information

AGAIN THIS YEAR

We will again have some out-of-state judges with AYOP judging experience at this year's contest! The purpose is to provide the opportunity for you to be judged and receive comments from new judges.

Due to the overwhelming positive feedback from last year, we are going to continue the set system for both Super X-Strut and Solo events as it helps speed up the event as well as guarantee more time for each twirler between their events. As this is still new to a lot of twirlers in the state, we will make sure to "walk" everyone through during the contest.

ENTRY DEADLINE

Monday, February 25th, 2008.

All entries must be postmarked by this date. No entries will be taken after this deadline or the morning of the contest.

LOCATION & TIMES

Santa Fe Community College Gymnasium - Gainesville, Florida

Doors open at 7:30am and contest begins promptly at 8:30am. Individual competition will compete first. Group events will start at 4:00pm or 10 minutes following the solo competition, whichever is later.

ADMISSION & PROCEEDS

There will be no door admission fees. We encourage as many people as possible to attend to support the sport of baton twirling! All profits from the entry fees, admission fees and concession stands will benefit the All-American Twirling Academy in Gainesville, Florida and the University of Florida Gatorettes. Thank you for your support.

CONTEST DIRECTORS

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Note - we will email out confirmations (both individual and group) a few days before the contest so please include your email on the entry form.

INDIVIDUAL EVENT ORDER AND AGES

The schedule of events for individual competition will be as follows:

Modeling - Fancy X Strut - Basic & Military Strut - Solos -
2 & 3 Baton - Flag - Duet - Rhythmic Twirl

Age groups based on your age as of 9/1/07 and will be divided into the following divisions - 0-6, 7-9, 10-12, 13-15, 16+. Each age division will also be divided into beginner, intermediate and advanced levels.

ADDITIONAL CONTEST INFORMATION

- * No flash photographs allowed in the gymnasium
- * Video taping is limited to your child's routines only. No taping of others without permission. This includes group competition.
- * NBTA rules, judges and score sheets will be used.
- * Score sheets and awards will be available during the contest upon tabulation except for the Pageant events.
- * Beginner/Intermediate contestants in the Miss Florida All-Star Classic Pageant must wear their modeling costume for either strut or solo. Only Advanced contestants will model in dress.
- * No refunds or credits
- * Contest directors and the SFCC are not responsible for accidents, property loss or injury.

PROGRAM BOOK

Program books, complete with lane assignments and group order, will be available. Design and write your own "Good Luck" ad.

1/4 page (5" x 3.5")- \$8 - 1/2 page (5" x 7")- \$12 - Full page (10" x 7") \$20

The deadline and mailing information for program book ads are the same as for entries. Please either have camera-ready art work or draw your ad on plain white paper with black ink.

AWARDS

Individual Events

Beginner-Advanced - 1st-3rd place trophies, 4th & 5th place ribbons

Novice - First through third place medals

Pageant Events - Winners will receive a trophy and banner. 2nd and 3rd place finishers will receive trophies.

Group Events - 1st-3rd place trophies

DIRECTIONS

From I-75 North (traveling South)

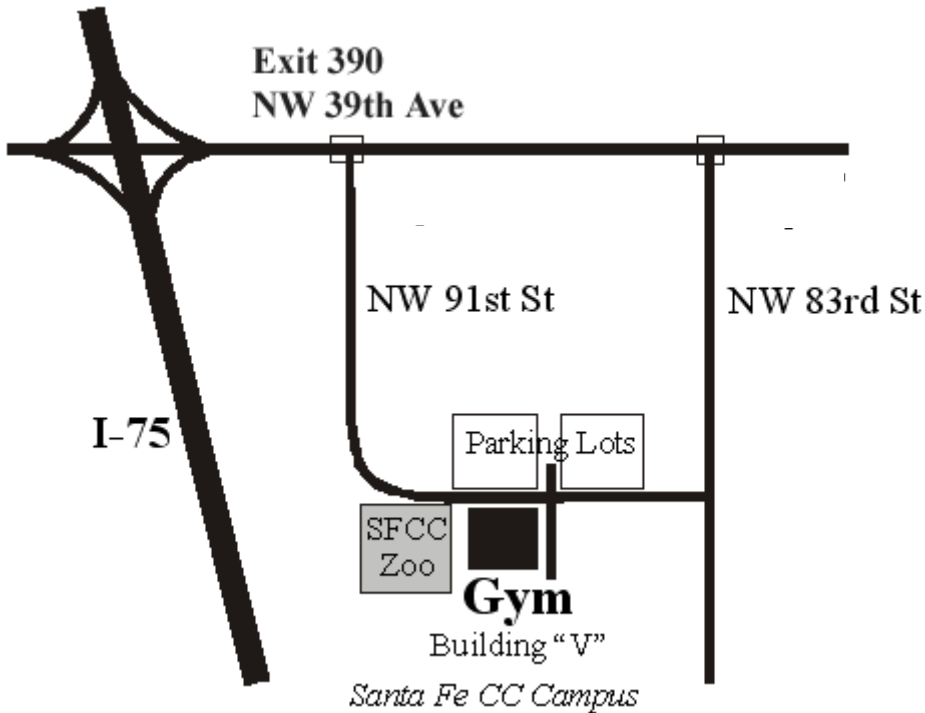
Get off at Exit 390 and travel east (left turn off interstate at light) onto NW 39th ave. Go over bridge and turn right at the 1st stop light. Follow road for 2.5 miles to SFCC Gym parking lot

From I-75 South (traveling North)

Get off at Exit 390 and travel east (keep right) onto NW 39th Ave. Turn right at the 1st stop light. Follow road for 2.5 miles to SFCC Gym parking lot

From Jacksonville, Florida

Take I-10 west to Baldwin. Take US301 South through Starke to Waldo. Take US24 South to Gainesville and turn right onto 39th Ave/ SR222. (This is the 1st light after you pass the Gainesville Airport) Drive to NW 83rd St and make a left. Go about .5 mile and turn right at the 1st SFCC entrance (road is called North Rd - there is a sign indicating the gym.) The gym is the second building on the road.



TAKE A TRIP TO THE SANTA FE ZOO

<http://inst.sfcc.edu/~zoo/index.htm>

The Teaching Zoo will be OPEN for weekend tours from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. and no appointment is necessary. Tours are given approximately every thirty minutes. **COST:** Admission is **FREE!!** The zoo is also open on weekdays. Check the website for more information.

Gainesville's Local Zoo

The SFCC Teaching Zoo is the local zoo for the Gainesville area and the laboratory for the Zoo Animal Technology Program. In this program, students from all over the US learn to work with animals in captivity. After graduating from our program, students find employment in zoos and other animal related fields all over the country. SFCC Teaching Zoo is home to over 75 different species of animals and over 200 individuals. Our diverse collection contains both native and exotic species that everyone can enjoy, including Bald Eagles, White-throated Capuchin monkeys, Sika Deer, Galapagos tortoises, Matschie's Tree Kangaroo, Asian small-clawed otters and African Grey parrots. These species and many other mammals, birds, reptiles and amphibians are on display in a naturally wooded environment.

LOCAL HOTELS & FOOD

I-75 Exit 390 - 39th Ave

Food - Sonny's BBQ, Wendy's, Hardee's, Publix Deli, Burger King, McDonald's
Lodging - Best Western / 352-331-3336

I-75 Exit 387 - Newberry Rd

Food - Taco Bell, Red Lobster, Napalantino, KFC, Waffle House, Bono
Lodging - Days Inn / 352-332-3033
Fairfield Inn by Marriott / 352-332-8292
Holiday Inn West / 352-332-7500

Other places of note- Oaks Mall (large mall), Sports Authority

I-75 EXIT 384 - Archer Rd

Food - Texas Roadhouse, Gainesville Ale House, Lone Star, Chili's, TGIFridays, Rafferty's, Olive Garden, Taco Bell, McDonald's, Sonny's BBQ, Burger King, Steak 'n' Shake
Lodging - Many hotels / contact us for more information
Other places of note - Wal-Mart, Target, Best Buys, Barnes & Nobles