

**International Conference on Purananuru (புறநானூறு)**  
**Washington D.C. Metropolitan Area**

**Music (Vocal Tamil Isai) Contest Rules & Regulations**

1. By entering the contest you agree to the Rules and Regulations of the contest outlined below.
2. There is no entry fee to partake in the Contest but registration for the Conference is required if there age is more than 10. That whose age is less than 10, then their parent or guardian is required to register for the conference.
3. The music (vocal) contest is open to all in the age group of 7 to 18. The cut-off date for age accountability is December 31st, 2012.
4. The song selection shall be from the Tamil poems of Purananuru and the duration for singing is limited to 5 minutes.
5. Entry form: An email can be sent to the undersigned with following particulars:
  - a. Full name of the participant with physical address and age.
  - b. Name of the parent/guardian accompanying to the conference.
  - c. Number and title of the song selected from the books of Purananuru.
  - d. (All Purananuru poems with meaning are available; for poems 1 through 69 can be seen in the blog <http://puram1to69.blogspot.com> and for poems 70 through 400 are at <http://puram400.blogspot.com/>
  - e. PaN (Ragam) selected to sing the song. Name of the Guru if you have one.
  - f. Duration of the song (Maximum 5 minutes)
  - g. Name of the Tamil School if you enrolled to learn Tamil.
6. Entrants may sing only one song for the entire contest.

7. Each entry must be the entrant's original work and not infringe on any other work. Remixes of existing songs (unless your own) will not be accepted.
8. Preliminary / Elimination round is a qualifying for the event. Those participants who fail to appear for the preliminary round shall not be considered for the finals.
9. No pre-recorded Music or sample sound is allowed except *suruthi* box.
10. The decision of Judges will be final and binding. In case participants exceed the time limit Judges will be free to disqualify the participant.
11. The organizing Committee reserves the right to change the venue, time and rules, if desired.
12. The criteria for grading are: pronunciation of Tamil words; singing of PaN (ragam) in the scale; presentation skills.
13. The last date to register for the music competition is August 15, 2013.
14. Each Participant shall be given Participation Certificate by the ICP 2013 and winners will be given (First Prize – IPAD or Equivalent item similar in dollar value; Second Prize –Nook or equivalent item similar in dollar value)
15. Please contact Naanjil Peter at [naanjilpeter@gmail.com](mailto:naanjilpeter@gmail.com) for further information and registration for the music competition.