

Invitation to the Jannese Davidson Memorial Tournament

Concordia University's forensics team invites you to participate in the **Jannese Davidson Memorial Tournament**, a free tournament hosted by Concordia on **October 15th and 16th, 2016**. Jannese, a former Arizona State and Azusa Pacific competitor, as well as Director of Individual Events at Concordia, unexpectedly and tragically passed away on August 31st, 2014. This tournament is being held to honor the memory of this exceptional woman.

Jannese competed in both speech and debate events, so the Davidson Memorial will offer all 11 AFA/Phi Rho Pi Individual Events, NPDA Debate, IPDA-LD Debate and NFA-LD Debate. There are no entry fees (because as an actress, Jannese REALLY liked free things...), but **ALL ENTRIES MUST** be covered. There can be no exceptions to this rule.

Immediately preceding the Davidson Memorial, Irvine Valley College will be hosting a free NPDA tournament on Friday, October 14th. We encourage you to support this tournament as well.

GENERAL TOURNAMENT SPECIFICS

ENTRIES: Submit at <http://www.forensicstournament.net> by 6:00 pm on Wednesday, October 12th. Drops and/or changes can be made until Friday, October 14th at 4:00 p.m. At that time, the entry page will be placed in shut-down mode. Any drops after that should be emailed to Konrad (konrad.hack@cui.edu).

ENTRY FEES: There are no fees to compete. The tournament will not be collecting fees of any kind to participate. None. *Es ist kostenlos.*

JUDGING: Each program **MUST** cover all its entries and there cannot be any exceptions (so please do not ask). One full-time judge can cover 5 IE slots in pattern A, 2 NPDA teams, and EITHER 2 LD debaters or 5 IE slots in pattern B.

FOOD: Concordia's cafeteria will be open from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. All you can eat meals are available for purchase for \$7.00. To help the cafeteria prepare, please advise Konrad (konrad.hack@cui.edu) in advance if your squad intends to purchase meals in the cafeteria.

HOTEL: CW Suites Orange County Airport is offering a rate of \$104.00/night for quad occupancy. This rate includes a full cook-to-order breakfast, WiFi and parking. To obtain this rate, please call 714-957-9200 and mention the name of the tournament.

PARKING: Concordia is located in Irvine, just south of Interstate 405 at 1530 Concordia West, Irvine, CA 92612. Parking is (you guessed it) free. Inform the gate that you are with the tournament. Headquarters will be Grimm Hall.

SPECIFICS: SPEECH EVENTS

EVENTS: The tournament will offer two preliminary rounds and finals in two divisions of all eleven AFA/Phi Rho Pi events. Students will be limited to **THREE** events per pattern, provided that the competitor can give all 3 speeches in 75 minutes. In Open division, one final round will be held (or 3rd prelim for one-panel events). In novice, events with more than 30 competitors will hold festival finals. If necessitated by a judge shortage, novice final rounds will have 2 judges.

DIVISIONS: The tournament will offer Open and Novice divisions. Novices should be in their first year of collegiate individual event competition (with no/limited high school experience) and have not placed third or higher twice in intercollegiate competition. The tournament will do what it can to maintain novice division. If there are fewer than 6 novice entries, it may be collapsed into Open division. Novice division does NOT qualify for NFA Nationals.

TIE BREAKERS: Competitors will first be ordered by cumulative ranks, then reciprocals and finally by judge ratings. In single-panel final rounds, placing will be determined first by cumulative rankings in finals, then judge's preference, followed by reciprocal scores and finally by judge ratings. In festival-final rounds, placing will be determined using the procedures outlined in the PSCFA handbook.

SPECIFICS: DEBATE EVENTS

FORMATS: The tournament will offer 5 preliminary rounds of NPDA debate, and 4 preliminary rounds of both NFA-LD & IPDA-LD debate. Debaters may participate in NPDA debate and ONE LD event. Advancing LD debaters may compete in one non-Duo Pattern B event.

DIVISIONS: The tournament will offer Novice, Junior and Senior divisions. NPDA and NFA-LD debate will follow NPDA division rules, while IPDA will follow its own division rules. If there are fewer than 8 entries in an event, it may be collapsed into the next highest division.

PAIRINGS: Rounds 1 & 2 of NPDA Debate and Round 1 of LD Debate will be randomly matched. All subsequent rounds will be high-low power-matched.

NPDA TOPICS: The tournament will draw NPDA debate topics from this year's California ballot propositions. Topics will be worded such that the government team will defend adopting the proposition.

TIE BREAKERS: In NPDA debate, teams will first be ordered by wins, then adjusted speaker points, followed by total speaker points, then opposition record and finally by Z-Score. In NFA & IPDA, competitors will first be ranked by wins, then total speaker points, followed by opposition wins & finally Z-Score. Brackets will be broken.

SPECIFICS: TOURNAMENT AWARDS

SPEECH: All finalists will receive an award. Additionally, the top five overall IE competitors in each division will be recognized. A student's top 4 events will be counted. Students in multiple divisions are ineligible for the overall award.

DEBATE: All debaters advancing to elimination debates, as well as the top 10 speakers in each NPDA division, will receive an award.

SCHOOL: The top 5 schools in both university and community college divisions will be recognized. Using the PSCFA formula for sweepstakes, each school's points will be converted to a percentage. Those two percentages will be summed for placings.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, October 15th, 2016

8:00-9:00	REGISTRATION (Grimm Hall 128)
9:00	Topic Announced: Round 1
9:20-10:05	Round One: NPDA Debate (random)
10:25	Topic Announced: Round 2
10:45-11:30	Round Two: NPDA Debate (random)
11:50-12:45	Round One: LD Debate (IPDA & NFA)
12:45-1:25	LUNCH BREAK – On Your Own
1:25	Topic Announced: Round 3
1:45-2:30	Round Three: NPDA Debate (hi-lo)
2:50-3:45	Round Two: LD Debate (IPDA & NFA)
4:05	Topic Announced: Round 4
4:25-5:10	Round Four: NPDA Debate (hi-lo)
5:30-6:25	Round Three: LD Debate (IPDA & NFA)
6:45	Topic Announced: Round 5
7:05-7:50	Round Five: NPDA Debate (hi-lo)
8:10-9:05	Round Four: LD Debate (IPDA & NFA)

SUNDAY, October 16th, 2016

8:00-8:20	MORNING PRAYER – Good Shepherd Chapel
8:30	Extemp Draw
8:45-10:00	Round One: Pattern A (EXT, INF, ADS, PRO, POE)
10:00-11:15	Round One: Pattern B (IMP, PER, CA, DRA, POI, DUO) Quarterfinals: LD Debate (do LD first, then IE)
11:20	Topic Announced: Octofinals
11:40-12:25	Octofinals: NPDA Debate
12:30	Extemp Draw
12:45-2:00	Round Two: Pattern A (EXT, INF, ADS, PRO, POE)
2:00-3:15	Round Two: Pattern B (IMP, PER, CA, DRA, POI, DUO) Semifinals: LD Debate (do LD first, then IE)
3:20	Topic Announce: Quarters
3:40-4:25	Quarterfinals: NPDA Debate
4:30	Extemp Draw
4:45-6:15	Finals: ALL Individual Events Finals: LD Debate (do LD first, then IE)
6:20	Topic Announce: Semis
6:40-7:25	Semifinals: NPDA Debate
7:30 or ASAP	AWARDS CEREMONY – Grimm Hall 120
ASAP	Finals: NPDA Debate