

January 27, 2010



Ia Orana & Maeva!

After a year off, I am happy to announce the 2010 Tahiti Fête of San Jose. The event will be held on July 2-5, 2010 at the DoubleTree Hotel San Jose and the San Jose State University Event Center.

A wonderful change is the upgrade in technology with regard to our scorekeeping. For the past year, six SJSU Computer Engineering students in developing their senior project, under took the creation of software to streamline the scoring process. The new system will help to eliminate judging computations that are done manually. It will allow for the judges to score each dance quickly, and electronically on a computer tablet which will feed easily into a main computer system. This system will help to minimize human error by converting the judges' scoresheets into electronic forms. Judges will be trained to understand the new computerized program. The main computer thus assuring accuracy will do all calculations, bonus points, etc..

Solo Eliminations will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel San Jose, the morning of Friday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> starting at 9:30 am. Finalists will perform the next day at the SJSU Event Center. All entering soloists will be given free admission to the Fête on July 3<sup>rd</sup> only, even if they do not place in eliminations. Solo Dance Awards will be given during the late afternoon of Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, following the Solo Final Competition & Group Performances.

Application deadline for Soloists is May 15, 2010. All soloists must mail or email me their "Intent to Enter" as soon as possible, no later than March 31, 2010..

The DoubleTree Hotel San Jose (managed by Hilton) is offering a very low rate of \$89 for up to 4 in a room (2 Queen-size beds). This rate is less than in 2008. Please confirm your reservations ASAP. Their phone number is (408) 453-4000. All practices, dance & music workshops and evening events, will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel. The hotel offers free San Jose Airport pick-up (not San Francisco) and is near the Light Rail train to the Event Center.

On Friday and Saturday and possibly Sunday night at the DoubleTree Hotel, we will offer Hawaiian and Tahitian entertainment for hotel guests and participants of the Fête. This is a good opportunity to dance, chat with friends and just unwind after the event! Kumus please let your students know we expect appropriate behavior as they represent their halaus! Security will ask those drinking to show proof-of-age.

Dance & music workshops during the weekend will be announced in the next Tahiti Fete update letter.

As soon as I receive your confirmation of participation in the Fête, update letters will be sent to you as well as information on dressing rooms, registration, halau tickets, practice time at the hotel, etc. You may pre-order special halau tickets with your entry application. Halau tickets will be limited. All dancers and musicians must have an entry ticket. For this reason we offer discount tickets to all participating halaus and their families. Special halau tickets are \$13 a day. Tickets will be mailed in April.

Thank you in advance for your participation in this exciting 4-day event. *Mauruuru Roa* ...

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# 2010 Tahiti Fête of San Jose – APPLICATION PROCESS

## COMPETITION DATES AND TIMES

Solo eliminations will be at the DoubleTree Hotel Ballroom, on Friday morning, July 2nd at 9:30 am. Solo Dance Finals will be held on Saturday, July 3, 2010 at the San Jose State University Event Center. Hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. Solo Award will be presented during the afternoon on Saturday.

## ELIGIBILITY/CATEGORIES

Competition is open to dancers from any halau, studio, organization, or dance company. Independent soloists may also participate.

### Solo Categories and Divisions are as follows:

Baby Tamari'i Exhibition (boys & girls) 2-5 years old - on Saturday, July 3 (all children get ribbon and/or DoubleTree Hotel Chocolate Chip Cookies)

'Ote'a Vahine –Tamahine (girls).....	5-8 years old	'Ote'a Tane –Tamaroa (boys) .....	5-8 years old
'Ote'a Vahine - Intermediate .....	9-12 years old	'Ote'a Tane – Intermediate .....	9-12 years old
'Ote'a Vahine - Lower Junior .....	13-15 years old	'Ote'a Tane - Lower Junior .....	13-15 years old
'Ote'a Vahine - Upper Junior .....	16-18 years old	'Ote'a Tane - Upper Junior .....	16-18 years old
'Ote'a Vahine - Lower Senior .....	19-24 years old	'Ote'a Tane - Lower Senior .....	19-24 years old
'Ote'a Vahine - Upper Senior .....	25-34 years old	'Ote'a Tane- Upper Senior .....	25-34 years old
'Ote'a Vahine - Masters Level .....	35+	'Ote'a Tane- Masters Level .....	35+

## TIME LIMITS

<b>Minimum</b>	<b>Maximum</b>
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Ori Solo Finals*	1.5 minutes	2 minutes
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\*TIME LIMITS for Solo Finals - maximum of 2 minutes. All drumming for elimination and finals done by our house drummers.

## Ori Tahiti Solo Competition

1. Contestants will be given their solo numbers on Friday, July 2, 2010 from 7:30 a.m. on the first floor ballroom lobby of the San Jose DoubleTree Hotel. All contestants will go to the Ballroom where the eliminations will be held starting at 9:30 am with the 5-8 age group. All soloists will be given free admission to the event on Saturday, July 3rd, regardless if they moved to the finals or not. **To avoid long lines, we encourage directors or kumus to pick up their halau numbers all together & distribute them to their soloists. Kumu packets will be available for pick up the evening before, starting at 7:30 pm on July 1<sup>st</sup> at the hotel lobby Registration Table.**
2. House drummers will provide all drumming for eliminations and finals. All dancing will be impromptu, small groups at a time.
3. Ori Tahiti Eliminations participants must wear a pareo. Hipbands or hip heis may be used but no tassels. Hip band must be 3” or less, Headpieces are ok but no hand objects.
4. Finalists will compete at the SJSU Event Center the following day. You must bring your Solo Number & ID and register at the handicap entrance of the center to gain admission.



5. For finals, dancers must perform in pareo. Length of the pareo should not be below the knees, however, know that judges also dislike very short pareos. Head heis are optional, no hip heis, i'is or hand-held objects will be permitted. During finals, two dancers will perform at a time.
6. The winners of the finals are those who receive the three top highest scores in each division.
7. Overall Tane and Vahine Winners will each receive \$500 plus other prizes.
8. Kumu/director of the group with the most 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place winners, will also receive \$500.
9. No solo limits from any group. Independent dancers may also enter the solo competition.
10. Solo scores will not be added to the group's scores in determining the Overall Group Winner.

## **COSTUMES**

Costumes should compliment and be appropriate for the dance. Natural products such as shells, fresh flowers, seeds, tapa, tassels, ferns, and other leaves, are acceptable for hip and hei upo'o (head heis) during the Solo Eliminations only. During the Finals, pareos must be used (tied any style) but no hip adornments except for an optional hip sash not to extend below the bottom of the pareo.

## **“TAHITI FETE PARADE of GROUPS”**

All entry groups, halaus and individual soloists will be featured just before the Awards Ceremonies on Monday, July 4th. The dance prompters will guide you and set the line-up for introduction to the audience. Also check postings inside the dressing rooms. Please show halau pride by dressing in costume, you will be on video & in photographs.

## **AWARDS**

**SOLO AWARDS:** 'Ote'a Vahine and 'Ote'a Tane (all age groups) - 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Award  
Overall Winning Tane (male) & Vahine (female) will win special gifts and \$500 each. Halau or group leader/kumu with the highest number of winning soloists will also win \$500

## **SOLOIST SCORING**

100 points is the maximum score possible in the solo division. Winners will be the top three (3) with the highest scores in their category and/or division. The following information is intended to clarify and give some examples as to the criteria that judges will use in evaluating your performance.

Judges will look for ...

**Technical areas:** Variety and difficulty of dance steps, confidence, endurance and knowledge of traditional steps. Try to perform at least 5 traditional steps.

**Artistic areas:** Gestures, grace and elegance, creativity, facial and body expressions, ease and comfort with the dance. Must be able to follow the drumbeats as the dance is totally impromptu.

**Costume:** appropriate costume, beauty, creativity, accessories, etc.



# SOLO APPLICATION

2010 Tahiti Fête of San Jose

## 'Ote'a Vahine & Tane Solos

Name of Pupu Ori (halau) \_\_\_\_\_ Ra'atira Pupu (kumu) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

eMail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

*Print Clearly Contestant Name(s) and Date of Birth after each name (for example: 06/04/94)*

### Ages 5-8

Names: Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_  
Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_

### Ages 9-12

Names: Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_  
Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_

### Ages 13-15

Names: Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_  
Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_

### Ages 16-18

Names: Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_  
Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_

### Ages 19-24

Names: Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_  
Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_

### Ages 25-34

Names: Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_  
Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_

### Masters - Ages 35+

Names: Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_  
Vahine \_\_\_\_\_ Tane \_\_\_\_\_

*For extra names, please attach a sheet with names, addresses, telephone, age category and birthdates of all solo contestants. On the heading, include the name & address of the group & the director's name and telephone.*

Total Solo entries \_\_\_\_\_ x \$55 each Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Fee includes free Tahiti Fête of San Jose admission for Saturday, July 3, 2010*

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# VIDEO PASSES

2010 Tahiti Fête of San Jose

Name of Pupu Ori (halau) \_\_\_\_\_ Ra'atira Pupu (kumu) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_  
eMail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

## Video Passes:

Friday, July 2, Solo Elimination Competition @ DoubleTree Hotel San Jose \$5.00 \_\_\_\_\_  
One-Day Pass - July 3, 4 or 5 at the SJSU Event Center (circle day) \$25.00 per day \_\_\_\_\_

*Pre-Order by mail with this form only – Save \$30!*

SPECIAL WEEKEND 4-Day Video Pass (Friday to Monday, July 2-5) Pass \$50.00 \_\_\_\_\_

(For Pre-Order Weekend Passes, you can pick them up at the Fête Ticket Booth on Friday, July 2<sup>nd</sup> by the Solo Registration Area, lobby of the DoubleTree Hotel San Jose).  
Must be pre-ordered by June 5th, 2010, otherwise Weekend Pass is \$60.00

If you wish to have the passes mailed to you, please indicate this on your form.

**Note:** For Solo Eliminations on Friday, July 2nd, you may set up in the back or film from your seat only. During the competition at the SJSU Event Center, video filming must be done from your seat while sitting, No standing from your seat. Only one name per pass, please. Pre-paid Video Passes may be picked up at the solo or group registration table. If you pre-order we can mail the passes to you. Video cameras will not be allowed inside the stadium without a pass. For more than 5 passes, please include a separate sheet of names.

Pass Name \_\_\_\_\_ Total \_\_\_\_\_  
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Please Mail Passes to me \_\_\_\_\_



# HALAU TICKETS

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Name of Group \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

EEmail Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### All Tickets – Halau Rate @ \$13 per day

Orders must be placed by the kumu or halau representative. Special tickets prices are only for halaus entering the Tahiti Fête of San Jose 2010. Soloists entering on their own will be allowed to purchase up to 4 tickets at this price. This special is not available at the Box Office, only through PuaTahiti Productions. In order to assure groups are all able to purchase these discounted tickets, **Halau can order a maximum of 350 tickets per (event) day for their group.** Tickets will also be available at the regular price on our website: [www.tahitifete.com/](http://www.tahitifete.com/) or through TicketMaster (however, they charge a fee). Those ordering from our website can also request to be seated with a particular group.

- Halau Ticket Orders must be completed by **May 15, 2010**. After that date, if there are any extra tickets, they will be sold at regular price. No exceptions! We expect tickets to sell out so order early.
- Only money orders, bank checks or cashier’s checks will be accepted. Tickets are available now for pre-purchase and will be mailed to you in April. Please write the halau name on the check. Make the check out to **Pua Tokumoto**.
- Tickets are mailed in bulk to the kumuhulas or a designee. Please include a self-addressed, stamped envelope for small orders or \$5.00 for Priority Mailing for orders of 200 tickets or more.
- We will do our best to seat all your people together, however, it is not always possible. The SJSU Box Office and other ticket outlets keep some of the reserved tickets. Please send in your main order as soon as possible, you can always order extra later on, as long as it is before the deadline. Order early since we sold out in May at the last event. **Total limit: 350 tickets per halau per day (event).**
- Tickets for the Friday morning Solo Dance Eliminations are \$3.00 each and should be paid in cash at the entrance to the DoubleTree Hotel Ballroom or ordered in advance.

Ticket Order (deadline, May 15):

_____	Friday, July 2, 2010 @ \$3 each	_____	<i>(Solo Eliminations at DoubleTree)</i>
_____	Saturday, July 3, 2010 @ \$13 each	_____	<i>(Solo Finals, Ori Rau, Hura Ava Tau)</i>
_____	Sunday, July 4, 2010 @ \$13 each	_____	<i>(Hura Ava Tau, Hura Tau)</i>
_____	Monday, July 5, 2010 @ \$13 each	_____	<i>(Hura Tau, Awards)</i>

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Total \_\_\_\_\_

**Regular prices for tickets will be \$20/day or \$55 for a 3-day Pass.**



# INTENT TO ENTER - 2010

Due: March 31, 2010

(Print or Type)

Name of Halau \_\_\_\_\_ Contact \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zipcode \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_ email: \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of SOLOISTS \_\_\_\_\_

Approximate number of hotel rooms needed \_\_\_\_\_

Please email Information to: [PuaTahiti@aol.com](mailto:PuaTahiti@aol.com)

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