



the Vancouver International Bhangra Celebration Society presents

The City of Bhangra

April 29 – May 8, 2010

City of Bhangra Registration Package

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Important Dates

Registration Opens	December 1, 2009
Early Registration Deadline	January 15, 2010
Final Registration Deadline	February 15, 2010
Team Selections	March 6-7, 2010
Performer Line-Up Announced	March 8, 2010
City of Bhangra 2010 Festival	April 29 – May 8, 2010

Registration Checklist

Please indicate which event(s) you would like to register for:

- | | | |
|--|-----------------------|---------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Downtown Bhangra | Friday, May 7, 2010 | Start Time: 5:30pm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bhangra Competition | Saturday May 8, 2010 | Start Time: 11:00am |
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Please ensure that all seven (7) items listed below are submitted in their entirety with your application. **Incomplete applications are considered ineligible and will NOT be reviewed.** All submitted materials become property of the VIBC Society and will not be returned. Please note that there is no payment required for registering for Downtown Bhangra.

- Team Profile Page 8
- Team Roster Release and Waiver Form Page 9
- Registration Fee Contract Page 17
- DVD or YouTube link of a recent performance routine at a competition, in its entirety, from start to finish
- 3 – 5 high resolution (jpeg) photographs of the actual performers in the registering Bhangra Team
- Team Resume highlighting previous competition standings and a 250 word, team biography write-up

- Bhangra Competition: Payment of registration fee in the amount of \$230CDN for early registration by January 15, 2010 or \$280CDN for registration before February 15, 2010. Payment can be made using the PayPal link provided at www.vibc.org. A receipt of the transaction has been forwarded to performers@vibc.org.

All documents and related materials **must be received no later than February 15, 2010**. We are not responsible for delays in the postal system, so please submit your materials well in advance. **Registration packages can be sent electronically to registration@vibc.org or faxed to 1-866-860-0980 or via mail:**

Team Registration Coordinator
c/o Vancouver International Bhangra Celebration Society
#681 – 1755 Robson
Vancouver, BC V6G 3B7
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**** Please include this page with your registration package as a cover sheet, with submitted items checked off. ****

Downtown Bhangra Overview

- Downtown Bhangra is open to all South Asian artists in Bhangra, Folk, Giddha, Traditional, Singers, DJ's, and the like.
- Extremely popular free festival allowing you to showcase your talent to thousands!
- Professional stage with exposure to over 8000 people
- No registration fee
- Potential for honorariums!
- Complimentary VIBC T-shirts and refreshments for all performing members
- Free publicity!! Pictures and team websites showcased on www.vibc.org

Bhangra Competition Overview

- The VIBC City of Bhangra Competition is open to any professional or collegiate Bhangra team
- All members of a team must follow the rules and guidelines set for the competition by the VIBC Society and the event venues
- Teams will consist of a minimum of 8 dancers and a maximum of 16
- All scoring decisions by the judges are to be considered final and cannot be contested
- Transportation from hotel to venue will be provided
- Free accommodations for 4 days and 3 nights will be provided to out-of-town competing teams at a luxury hotel located in Vancouver
- Teams will have the opportunity to practice in a space provided by the VIBC Society, based on time and space availability
- Complimentary VIBC T-shirts will be given to all performing members

- The event as well as the champions and awards will be showcased on www.vibc.org
- Competition prizes include: \$5,000 CDN for First Place, \$3,000 Second and \$2,000 for Third

Performance Guidelines

These guidelines are set to aid competitors in their performances, and to make the experience of performing at the VIBC Competition an enjoyable one. Following these guidelines will also help VIBC coordinators and volunteers carry out their organizing and planning objectives.

- Each team will have a designated team representative or captain that will interact exclusively with VIBC staff for performance arrangements
NOTE: The team representative or captain will be provided with an appropriate security badge
- The team representative or captain will be responsible for arranging a 20 minute rehearsal timeslot between 10:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. on the day prior to competition, and for having all team members present for rehearsal
- Teams must be ready to perform, off-stage 30 minutes prior to their performance timeslot. Any delay in beginning of a performance will result in a deduction of points by the judges
- The maximum allotted time for a performance is 8 minutes. Points will be deducted for going over the allotted time
- This is a team event; no individual will be allowed to perform for more than one team
- A team liaison will be selected for your team. This liaison will be the only person allowed special entry and exit privileges to handle team equipment
- Pyrotechnics, confetti, or smoke machines will not be permitted during performances
- Please avoid the judges' panel. Failure to do so may compromise your team's performance score
- All teams must enter and exit the stage area in an orderly fashion, so as to ensure that their performance starts on time and does not compromise the timing of subsequent performances
- The use of additional equipment and props must receive approval from the VIBC Society 3 weeks prior to the event. Please email registration@vibc.org for approval
- Each team is required to have an additional copy of their music CD on the day of the event in case their music is compromised
- The VIBC will ensure that all teams are given a fair and organized event, but the VIBC Board and Society are not responsible for any technical difficulties that may occur

Judging and Awards

Judging

- Judging rules and guidelines are set to ensure that there is fairness and honesty when it comes to evaluating teams. Please follow these rules
- All decisions made by judges are final
- The VIBC Board or staff will not disclose the team marks allocated by individual judges
- The judging guidelines will be posted on www.vibc.org well in advance of the competition

Awards

- The top three teams will be awarded plaques or trophies, along with an associated cash prize
- Monetary award levels will consist of the following (represented in \$CDN):
 - \$5,000 and Trophy, First place
 - \$3,000 and Trophy, Second Place
 - \$2,000 and Trophy, Third Place
- Any awards received by teams may not be mishandled, misused, or disrespected in any manner
- Only those individuals whose names appear on the registration form shall be part of the award ceremony

Disqualification

The following terms for disqualification are based on standards of practice established at various international Bhangra competitions, and in many cases depict a worst-case scenario. Teams invited to perform at the VIBC Competition are seasoned performers with an understanding of professional conduct. However, we still advise people to act wisely when making decisions that will affect their team. The VIBC Board does not wish to see anyone's hard-work and effort be wasted because of the infraction of a few competition rules. Please respect the event, the organizers, and your fellow competitors, and keep the following items in mind:

- Alcohol will not be served or allowed in the venue
- Harassment of other teams and acts of aggression will not be tolerated
- Interference with, or obstruction of the judges, the judging process, or the event itself will not be tolerated
- There must be no damage to the competition venue or any VIBC assets
- There must be no damage to the official VIBC hotel
- A disqualified team will not have their registration fee refunded
- At the discretion of VIBC Board, any teams considered to be representing themselves in a manner not appropriate for this event may be disqualified
- Disqualification of a team will require any trophies or prize money awarded to be revoked

Registering for the City of Bhangra

Please follow the following guidelines as closely as possible as they are set out in the best interests of your Bhangra team and to expedite registration.

- All registration materials must be received or post-marked no later than Monday, February 15th, 2010 for a team to be eligible for the Bhangra Competition
- The VIBC Board has the right to refuse the application of any team
- In the event that there is a change in the team roster after submission of the registration package, please notify the Registration Coordinator of the change via email at registration@vibc.org.
- Any team member removed from a team's roster cannot take advantage of any privileges extended to the performing team members.
- To withdraw from the competition please contact the Registration Coordinator. Teams who have been selected and choose to withdraw will not receive their non-refundable registration fee.

Registration Requirements

To be considered eligible to compete in the competition, please include all the relevant information in your registration package. The Registration Coordinator will notify teams of their application status once the registration packages have been received. All submitted materials become property of the VIBC Society and will not be returned after the application has been submitted. Please contact the Registration Coordinator with any questions or comments.

Registration Package Contents

1. Team Profile
2. Team Roster, Release & Waiver Form
3. Registration Fee Contract
4. DVD or YouTube link of a past performance routine at a competition, in its entirety, from start to finish
5. 3 – 5 high resolution (jpeg) photographs of the actual performers in the registering Bhangra Team
6. Team Resume highlighting previous competition standings and a 250 word, team biography write-up
7. Bhangra Competition: Payment of Registration Fee (outlined below)

Registration Fee

The registration fee for all teams is \$280CDN. Early Registration takes place before January 15th, 2010, and is \$230 CDN for all teams. Please enclose a Certified Cheque or a Money Order payable to Vancouver International Bhangra Celebration or VIBC. **The registration fee can also be paid via PayPal at www.vibc.org. If paying by PayPal, please email the transaction receipt to registration@vibc.org.**

Registration Package

Team Profile

Please fill out the following registration form in its entirety. Please print clear and concisely.

TEAM NAME	
TEAM MANAGER	
ADDRESS	TOWN/CITY
STATE/PROVINCE	COUNTRY
ZIP/POSTAL CODE	TELEPHONE
EMAIL	

Team Roster, Release and Waiver Form

Please read the following statements as they relate to all members of the team. Once you have read the statements please fill in the Team Roster form below and sign the last column to acknowledge that you have read, understood, and agree with these statements.

- I declare that I have read the “Team Registration Package” and agree to abide by all the rules and guidelines set out by the VIBC Society.
- I declare that I will not damage any venues used by VIBC.
- I declare that I will not use any materials provided by and/or the property of the VIBC and use them for my personal benefit, business purposes, or for the means of redistribution without consent of the VIBC Society.
- I agree to maintain privacy and confidentiality of the operations of the VIBC and will not forward any materials without consent of the VIBC Society.
- I will not implement legal proceedings for any bodily damages, injuries, loss, actions, costs and/or compensation.
- I agree to not take any legal action against any VIBC director, employee, or participants.
- I understand that photographs and videos taken during the City of Bhangra may be used by the VIBC Society for promotional purposes.
- If I am disqualified I agree to return any rewards and honours I may have received upon entering and competing in the Bhangra Competition.
- I declare that I am a performing member of the Bhangra Team mentioned in the Team Profile.
- I have read and agree to abide by the terms of this affidavit/declaration.

Team Member #1 - CAPTAIN

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #2

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Roster, Release and Waiver form continued...

Team Member #3

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #4

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #5

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #6

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Roster, Release and Waiver form continued...

Team Member #7

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #8

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #9

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #10

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Roster, Release and Waiver form continued...

Team Member #11

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #12

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #13

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #14

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Roster, Release and Waiver form continued...

Team Member #15

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #16

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #17

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #18

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Roster, Release and Waiver form continued...

Team Member #19

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Team Member #20

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Assistant #1

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Assistant #2

Name:	Meal Type (Veg / Non-Veg):
Birthdate:	Allergies:
Sex:	Medical Condition(s):
T-Shirt Size:	Signature:

Registration Fee Contract

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Vancouver, BC V6G 3B7
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I, Registration Coordinator of the Vancouver International Bhangra Celebration (“VIBC”), hereby state that the registration fee of \$_____ (CDN) from Bhangra Team, _____, (“the TEAM”) will be refunded by VIBC if the TEAM is not selected to compete. Refunds will be via postal service or through PayPal, no later than 30 days after the event date of the Bhangra Competition. Any failure by the VIBC Society to meet these obligations will result in an accrual of interest charges in the amount of 10% per month, until the registration fee has been refunded to the TEAM. Registration fees are non-refundable in the event that the TEAM has been selected to compete, but later withdraws from the Bhangra Competition of their own accord.

The primary contact, _____ hereby accepts this agreement on behalf of the TEAM,

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Print Name:
Primary Contact for the TEAM

The Registration Coordinator, hereby accepts this agreement on behalf of VIBC,

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Registration Coordinator
VIBC

Team Performance

Please provide a YouTube link of a recent performance routine from start to finish. Alternatively, online video clips can be sent to registration@vibc.org using a file sharing program.

YOUTUBE LINK:	
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Team Pictures

Please email registration@vibc.org with 3-5 high resolution (jpeg) photographs of the actual performers in a group, as they will appear in the official event programme and on the vibc.org website.

Team Resume

Please list the five most recent competitions your team has placed at:

COMPETITION NAME	YEAR	PLACING

Please provide a 250 word write-up of the team detailing pertinent information, significant details and past accomplishments: This will appear in the official event programme and on the vibc.org website:

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Contact Us

If you have any questions, comments or concerns, or just need help filling out your registration package, please don't hesitate to contact our Registration Coordinator, directly. We look forward to hearing from you!

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