

## "NATA SINGING SUPERSTAR 2016 "

### ELIGIBILITY

All contestants must:

1. be Residents of VA, MD and DC states only.
2. Sing SOLO songs only in Telugu. (Film Vocal/Classical/Semi-Classical/Folk(Jaanapadam)). No group performances.
3. Be Amateurs. (Professional singers are not eligible. Definition of a professional singer: one who performs at functions and small gatherings on a regular basis for some form of compensation).

### RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The time limit for audition song is Maximum of 4 minutes.
2. Contestants should record and email a song WITHOUT KARAOKE for the audition round.
3. Contestant will email the song in mp3 to [natadccomp@gmail.com](mailto:natadccomp@gmail.com) before the final date Jan 23rd 2016 by 11:59PM.
4. Contests are divided into 2 Categories: **Group I is for ages below 14 years**, **Group II is for ages 15 and above**.
5. Ten contestants from each group will be selected from audition round and will participate in semi-finals on Jan 30th 2016 at the Venue. Only Two contestants from each group will be chosen for finals. All selected finalists have to give in-person live performance which will be held on Jan 30th 2016 at the main dais in the presence of audience. Contestants will be allowed to sing with or without KARAOKE Tracks during semi-final and Final rounds.
6. NATA Cultural team will Announce ten Semi finalists from each group at the venue on Jan 30th 2016 at 1PM EST.
7. Song time limit for Semi-final and Final song is Maximum of 4 minutes. Songs going over the 4 minutes time limit will be cut off. Judges will be instructed to deduct points or they have the authority to disqualify the contestant.
8. Contestants should neither sing the same song as another contestant nor repeat the song in Final round.
9. Songs containing vulgar or explicit lyrics will not be allowed. Judge(s) reserve the right to refuse.
10. Decisions of the judges are final. No further reviews are allowed. For any disputes, only NATA team will reserve the right to make the final decision.
11. Contestants, their family or associates are not allowed to have contact with a contest judge before or during any contest connected with **"NATA SINGING SUPERSTAR 2016 "** contest. Contact includes verbal conversations.
12. NO PARTICIPATION FEE. Everyone except the participants must purchase event tickets (only one participant per family / Approval from NATA Cultural team is required and mandatory if more than one participant registration is received per family).
13. All contestants who are expected to participate in NATA Celebrations, should register for admission to Convention, and should bear their travel and lodging costs and other expenses. NATA would not bear any obligation to pay/ reimburse for any expenses incurred by the contestants at any time.
14. THESE RULES MAY BE CHANGED OR MODIFIED AT ANY TIME BY NATA.

## HOW TO ENTER

Candidates must email their Registration form along with audio file to [natadccomp@gmail.com](mailto:natadccomp@gmail.com) before the final date of Jan 23rd 2016 11:59PM EST.

All contestants must provide the following information:

1. A completed Registration form with personal data such as contact info.
2. Audition song in mp3 format (bit rates 128 bps or less) to [natadccomp@gmail.com](mailto:natadccomp@gmail.com)  
Recording must be made by the candidate under normal studio level conditions.
3. A short (100-150 words) biographic profile.

NOTIFICATION: NATA Cultural team will Announce ten Semi finalists from each group at the venue on Jan 30th 2016 at 1PM EST.

## CUT-OFF DATE

The cut-off date for receiving the registration form and the audio file is Jan 23rd 2016 11:59PM EST.

## PRIZES & AWARDS

NATA SINGING SUPERSTAR 2016 Winner (Group I /II)- NATA Trophy/memento award

NATA SINGING SUPERSTAR 2016 Runner (Group I /II) - NATA Trophy/memento award

## GENERAL DISCLAIMER

The organizers of NATA "NATA SINGING SUPERSTAR 2016" contest reserve the right to refuse any entry without giving reasons. The judges have the right to stop any candidate's performance at any stage of the competition. Marks are awarded, and may be withheld, at the jury's sole discretion. The judge (s) decisions are final.

The organizers reserve the right to record or broadcast any part of the preliminary rounds, quarter/semifinal or final contests without any royalty payments to the participants or their related parties. The organizers will conduct the contest in a professional and civil manner. The contestants are expected to cooperate with the organizers by maintaining civility and not resorting to unruly conduct – prior to, during or after the contest.

**RETURN OF RECORDINGS AND PHOTOS:** All materials submitted including recordings become the property of NATA; NATA could use the performances and the information provided for promotional purposes. Recordings submitted by the contestants may be returned at the conclusion of the competition, if requested by the candidate with appropriate expenses are paid by the candidate.

For further information,

Please contact Gopinath Peturi at 678-642-5764 / Pranitha at 513-739-1989 or email to [natadccomp@gmail.com](mailto:natadccomp@gmail.com). Please visit <http://www.nataus.org> for more information.

**“NATA SINGING SUPERSTAR 2016 ” REGISTRATION FORM**

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_ M/F

Parent / Guardian Name : \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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City/Place: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ (Primary) \_\_\_\_\_ (Secondary)

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Group: I (Age below 14) \_\_\_\_\_ II (Age above 15) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Profile (a brief biographic sketch about yourself) in 200 words or less.

Audition song file name : \_\_\_\_\_

**AUDIO File format : FName\_LName\_AudSong1\_SongTitle.mp3**

I read, understood and agree to abide by the rules of regulations of NATA “NATA SINGING SUPERSTAR 2016” contest.

Sincerely,

Contestant's Signature