



Talents Talents!

Talent competition

Location: Indian Community Center, 525 Los Coches St, Milpitas, CA, 95035
Date & Time: Saturday, May 16, 2026. 8:30 AM Start

RULES AND GUIDELINES

- Online Registration is required to participate in any event. Registration will close on Sunday, May 10, 10 PM PDT.
- Only registered participants will be allowed to participate in competitions.
- On the event day, collect your Badges at the registration desk.
- Participants must report backstage 30 minutes before their item's scheduled time. Estimated time for individual events will be communicated 2 to 3 days before the event.
- Participant Categories are based on school grade (NOT age)
- A single participant can register and participate in a maximum of four events.
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd prize winners in all the categories will be awarded winners' trophies.
- Judges' decisions will be final in all events.

For Registration and competition items for each category

<https://keralafest.com/competitions/>

If you have more questions, contact Madhu Mukundhan at (408) 421-4751

The competitions will be held for students in three age categories (School

Grades) and adults as part of Kerala Fest 2026.

- Sub Junior (Grade K to 3)
- Junior (Grade 4 to 7)
- Senior (Grade 8 - 12)
- Adults (18+)

Competitions

Light Music Malayalam	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Only Malayalam light music songs● Time: Max 5 minutes● No Karaoke Track
Malayalam Kavitha (Poetry)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Only Malayalam language poetry by recognized poets● Must start with the title of the poem and the author's name● Judging will be based on clarity, audibility, and ability to convey emotions through voice modulation● Time: Max 5 minutes
Malayalam Speech	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Language: Malayalam● Time: 5 minutes● The topic for the speech will be communicated in advance
Drawing	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Time: 1 Hour● The subject will be given before the drawing competition.● Paper will be provided to all.● Participants bring /use their own crayons, markers, watercolors, pencils, etc.
Painting	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Time: 1 hour● The subject will be given before the drawing competition.● Paper will be provided to all.● Participants bring /use their own crayons, markers, watercolors, pencils, etc.

<p>Fancy Dress</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The Fancy Dress competition will be held during the Procession. Participants are required to parade as part of the procession and will be evaluated. Costumes reflecting our culture, history, or heritage are encouraged.
<p>Malayalam Debate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The topic for the debate will be communicated in advance. It will be related to Kerala ● Each of the participants will be given 2 minutes to present the topic ● There will be an open discussion for 10 minutes after that. ● There will be a moderator to oversee the progress and time management ● Other rules and regulations will be provided by the judges and the moderator at the venue.
<p>English Debate</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● The topic for the debate will be communicated in advance. It will be related to Kerala ● Each of the participants will be given 2 minutes to present the topic ● There will be an open discussion for 10 minutes after that. ● There will be a moderator to oversee the progress and time management ● Other rules and regulations will be provided by the judges and the moderator at the venue.
<p>Quiz</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● All questions will be related to Kerala and encompass subjects such as culture, history, literature, heritage, notable figures, places, etc.

Judges' decisions will be final in all competitions.