

*Tahiti Fête of
San Jose 2023*



Ori Tahiti Solo Dance Rules

San Jose Civic Auditorium
135 West San Jose Street San Jose, CA

Solo Dance Performance Date: June 30, 2023

Tahiti Fête of San Jose

Dates: June 30 - July 3, 2023

Updated May 1, 2023

Ia Orana Ori Tahiti Solo Dance Competitors!

After difficult several years fighting the Covid pandemic and putting the Tahiti Fete on hold, we are so pleased to announce the 26th Tahiti Fête of San Jose. The event will be on June 30 to July 3rd, at the historic and beautiful San Jose Civic Auditorium.

Once you submit your Ori Tahiti Dance Competition application, Fête update letters will be sent to you as well as information on sponsor hotels, dressing rooms, registration, tickets, etc.

The deadline for Solo Applications is May 31, 2023. After this date late fees will apply.

Thank you again for your participation in the 2023 Tahiti Fête of San Jose!

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APPLICATION PROCESS

COMPETITION DATES AND TIMES

The Fête will be held on Friday, Saturday, Sunday and Monday – June 30 to July 3, 2023, at

the San Jose Civic Auditorium. Hours from 10:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. on all four days.

ORI TAHITI SOLO COMPETITION

1. Contestants will be given their solo numbers on Friday, June 30, 2023 from 8:00 a.m. by the side entrance of the San Jose Civic, next to the Montgomery Theater. Group leaders may pick up Solo numbers from me, if they are in town the evening before, at the San Jose Marriott Hotel, or early at the Civic on June 30th.
2. Our house drummers will provide all drumming for the soloists. All dancers will enter Finals at the SJ Civic Auditorium on Friday, June 30th. Timing is approximately 1 ½ to 2 minutes.
3. Hipbands or hip heis will be permitted for Finals. It should not be more than 4" wide.
4. All soloists will be given free admission to the Tahiti Fete on Friday, June 30 They must wear their Solo Number to gain in and out entry after the Solo Competition. Soloists will check in through the dancer's tent entrance on the side of the Montgomery Theater at 271 S. Market Street.
5. Length of the pareo should not be below the knees, however, know that judges also dislike very short pareos. Headpieces are optional, but will be permitted. Dancers will perform one or two at a time, totally impromptu. No i'is or hand-held objects. Because of flower shortages, silk flowers and artificial flowers are permitted.
6. 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 and ticket to Tahiti (restrictions apply).
8. No solo limits from any group. Independent dancers may also enter the competition.
9. We are featuring two new categories **Anuanua** (open) category, and **Couples**.
10. Our new Open Category – Anuanua, encourages and invite all dancers who feel no category actually suits them. Note that the Anuanua category will eventually have an appropriate name change.

Solo Categories, Divisions and Ages are as follows:

'Ote'a Vahine –Tamahine (girls) 6-10	'Ote'a Vahine – Intermediate 11-15
'Ote'a Tane - Tamaroa (boys) 6-10	'Ote'a Tane - Intermediate 11-15
'Ote'a Vahine - Lower Junior 16-20	'Ote'a Vahine - Upper Junior 21-26
'Ote'a Tane - Lower Junior 16-20	'Ote'a Tane - Upper Junior 21-26
'Ote'a Vahine - Senior 27-35	'Ote'a Vahine - Masters 36-44
'Ote'a Tane - Senior 27-35	'Ote'a Tane - Masters 36-44

'Ote'a Vahine Pa'ari- Females only 45+ over

New Categories!

'Ote'a Amui - Couples – any age

'Ote'a Anuanua – must be 18+ over

SOLO AWARDS

First Place Vahine/Tane/Anuanua/Couples	each receive a Trophy or Medal + \$300
Second Place Vahine/Tane/Anuanua/Couples	each receive a Trophy or Medal + \$250
Third Place Vahine/Tane/Anuanua/Couples	each receive a Trophy or Medal + \$150

Overall Winning Tane & Vahine will each win \$500

Overall Vahine and Tane winners between the ages of 18-35 will receive a round-trip ticket to Tahiti. [Courtesy of Air Tahiti Nui](#)

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. The following information is intended to clarify and give some examples as to the criteria that judges will use in evaluating your performance.

Technical areas: Variety and difficulty of dance steps, confidence, endurance and knowledge of traditional steps and fa'arapu. 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. Able to follow the drumbeats, the dance is totally impromptu.

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ORITAHITI - Solo Dance Entry Form

Updated 5/1/23



Name of Pupu Ori _____

Ra'atira Pupu (Director) _____

Address _____

eMail Address _____ cell phone _____

Print Clearly Contestant Name(s) and Birthdates after each name (for example 06/14/2000). Please make a list on a separate paper for multiple contestants.

<u>Category</u>	<u>Name of Participant(s)</u>	<u>Birthdate</u>	<u>Vahine or Tane?</u>
6-10 years old	_____	_____	_____
11-15 years old	_____	_____	_____
16-20 years old	_____	_____	_____
21-26 years old	_____	_____	_____
27-35 years old	_____	_____	_____
36-44 years old	_____	_____	_____
45+ years old	_____	_____	<u>Vahine Only</u>
	_____	_____	<u>Vahine Only</u>
<i>New!</i> COUPLES	_____	_____	_____
	_____	_____	_____
<i>New!</i> ANUANUA	_____	_____	_____

Total Solo Entries _____

Total Amount _____

_____ x \$135* Postmarked before May 31, 2023

_____ x \$150* Postmarked from June 1-June 15, 2023 *(after this date, register online only. I will be in SJ)*

eMail Application to: PuaTahiti@aol.com and pay using Zelle, Venmo (preferred) or Paypal or You Can Register Online: www.tahitifete.com

