

**REGULATIONS**  
**OF THE XX INTERNATIONAL SONG AND DANCE COMPETITION**  
**“MUSZELKI WIGIER 2020” (WIGRY SHELLS 2020)**

1. **Date and location: 28.05. - 30.05.2020 in Suwałki**
2. **Organizers:** Fundacja Na Rzecz Rozwoju Społecznego  
71 Noniewicza Street 16-400 Suwałki  
tel. +48 606240130, e-mail: zppp1@wp.pl, muszelkiwigier.pl  
  
**Festival Office -** Suwalski Ośrodek Kultury – Suwałki Cultural Center  
  
**www. muszelkiwigier.pl**  
  
**Co-organizers:** Suwalski Ośrodek Kultury – Suwałki Cultural Center  
5 Papieża Jana Pawła II Street 16-400 Suwałki
3. **Participants:** children and youth dancing/singing groups and soloist of the age 6-25.
4. Participants compete for the Gold, Silver and Bronze Wigry Shell (1st, 2nd, 3rd award) in each category as well as Grand Prix in a song and dance category.
5. Selected laureates take part in a Gala Concert. Organizers may invite for the Gala Concert people (bands) out of the group of laureates.
6. Jury can withhold Grand Prix in a dance category and a song category.
7. Participants' obligations:
  - a) participants are obliged to have travel insurance which would also cover their stay during the Festival,
  - b) there should be a number of tutors appropriate to the number of children in the group,
  - c) participants or the delegating institutions cover the transport costs, registration and accreditation fee which includes board and accommodation (detailed information will be given following confirmation of being qualified for the Competition; Organizers will make every effort to make the costs as low as possible),
  - d) participant's / group's application forms with the information about processing personal data shall be sent within the deadline by **30.03.2020** to the following address: [zppp1@wp.pl](mailto:zppp1@wp.pl) or [muszelkiwigier@internetia.pl](mailto:muszelkiwigier@internetia.pl)

e) DVDs shall be sent by post to the following address:  
**Fundacja na Rzecz Rozwoju Społecznego,  
16-400 Suwałki, 71 Noniewicza Street with a  
note "Muszelki Wigier 2020"**

f) participants are required to complete the application form duly.

**CAUTION !**

Application forms with incomplete information will not be accepted.

Please fill in all fields and pages in the application form.

- g) organizers may allow other soloist/groups, apart from those chosen by the Jury, to participate in the Competition,
- h) the winners of Gold, Silver, Bronze Wigry Shells from previous editions as well as the winners of Polish Competitions or International Festivals (winners of places I-III) are qualified to participate in the Competition without qualifying procedures (however, the application form is still required with listed achievements over the last three years),
- i) singers, music and dancing groups applying for the Festival for the first time and to whom the provisions set out in point 7 g) do not apply, must undergo preliminary qualification. For the purposes of this qualification vocalists, music and dancing groups must send application form, recordings of the performance (or links to the recording) to the following address: [zppp1@wp.pl](mailto:zppp1@wp.pl), or [muszelkiwigier@internetia.pl](mailto:muszelkiwigier@internetia.pl). Discs must be labeled as follows: performer, title of the song, title of the choreography, duration. **Date of submission 30.03.2020.**
- j) qualified to participate in the Festival dancing groups, singers, music groups must send background music for competition presentations (dance and singing) (at least two weeks prior to the Festival). Music background must be labeled as follows: performer (name and surname, name of the group presenting the song/ choreography, titles of the song/ choreography, duration).
- k) participants receive e-mails notifying that they will be eligible about to

participate in the Festival after verification till **10.04.2020**.

- l) choreographies and songs presented in the previous editions of the Competitions will not be accepted,
  - m) participants have all the rights to perform presented programs and songs (lyrics, music, choreography),
  - n) the Jury reserves the right to not award prizes in individual categories,
8. Detailed regulations concerning the participation in the Festival will be provided after sending the preliminary elimination results.
9. Application fee is 40 PLN (per person).
10. In case of taking participation in more than one category, there is an additional charge of 15 PLN for each next category.
11. Accreditation: 1. Hotels located in Suwałki - person/day - 120 PLN (accommodation, breakfast, halfboard), 2. Agro-tourist undertakings, up to 20km outside the city – person/day – 85 PLN
12. Payments should be made with a note “Muszelki 2020” to the Co organizer’s bank account until 30.04.2020:  
**mbank S.A. 84 1140 2004 0000 3502 7898 9230**  
Fundacja Na Rzecz Rozwoju Społecznego, ul. Noniewicza 71, 16-400 Suwałki
13. In case of resignation from participation no later than 14 days before commencement of the Festival, the Organizer does not return the paid registration and accreditation fee. Reimbursement may be paid under exceptional circumstances in chance events.
14. The application forms can be downloaded from the website:  
**[www.muszelkiwigier.pl](http://www.muszelkiwigier.pl)**

## **DANCE CATEGORY**

15. There are following dance categories:

- a) hip hop, break dance, electric boogie, funky, disco dance, disco freestyle,
- b) majorettes, cheerleaders,
- c) folk dance – choreography presentation of national dance, varied repertoire of folk dances,
- d) other dance presentations that do not fall into any of the above categories

16. There are following age categories (by the year of birth)

- age 6-12,
- age 13-16,
- age 17-25.

17. The maximum group presentation time can't exceed 8 minutes.

18. The Jury will consist of specialists in dance and music.

19. Each group may enter the competition with one dance choreography in a given category.

20. The application form must be accompanied by a mandatory list of participants with the date of birth.

21. The Jury reserves the right to combine categories.

## **SONG CATEGORY**

22. There are following age categories (by the year of birth)

soloists, vocal groups:

- age 6-10,
- age 11-13,
- age 14-16,
- age 17-25.

23. Each participant prepares 2 songs with total time not exceeding 4 minutes.

The contestant performs one song and the second one upon Jury's request in order given on the application form (repertoire proposals are final).

24. Any changes to the repertoire can be made until 10.05.2020.

25. The Jury will consist of acclaimed artists in the field of music.

26. The Jury reserves the right to combine categories.

27. The application form must be accompanied by a mandatory list of participants with the date of birth along with information on the processing of personal data.

**FINAL PROVISIONS:**

28. Additional activities during the Festival:

- a) workshops for the participants and instructors – 20 PLN/person (in case of no interest, workshops will be cancelled).
- b) meetings with the Jury,
- c) integration meetings for participants and instructors,

29. The workshops will be held by instructors from Poland and abroad.

30. Participants of the Festival „Muszelki Wigier 2020” (“Wigry Shells 2020”) shall give the Organizer permission to disseminate their image in a variety of communication forms such as: press, television, film, radio, electronic. The participants of the Festival „Muszelki Wigier 2020” (“Wigry Shells 2020”) shall, without any payment, provide to Organizer the rights to register their song performances and artistic performances during the event in terms of their: TV registration- broadcasting and retransmission, perpetuation, multiplication on all sound and image media; for marketing, rental and lending purposes; to save performances on computer hard drives and to display them on the internet; to publicly display audio and video performances.

31. The participants of the Festival are required to use presented tracks and photograms in respect the copyright law of the authors or related authors, artists, performers and producers.

32. Decisions of the Jury are final.

33. Final interpretation of Regulations document can be made by the Organizers.

34. In order to meet the initiative of the Association of Authors ZAiKS promoting Polish culture and its creators - Suwałki Cultural Centre implements to the Gala Concert, in addition to the winners' concert - a theme concert under the working title “ZAIKS I MŁODZI” during which the performers will sing accompanied by the orchestra under the direction of Artur Grudziński. Since applications are accepted until 10.04.2020 – Organizer will select more than a dozen performers for the ZAIKS Gala Concert by 15.04.2020. Future performers accompanied by the orchestra should propose in the application form the repertoire of Polish artists.

35. Concert of the laureates and a theme concert will be recorded and broadcast on air on Polish Television (Telewizja Polska S.A.).

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Additional information about the Festival: [www.muszelkiwigier.pl](http://www.muszelkiwigier.pl)