



An Indo-Swiss Socio Cultural Organization in Switzerland *INTERNATIONAL KALAMELA - A festival of arts in Switzerland*

JUDGEMENT CRITERIA – THIRUVATHIRA GROUP DANCE

No.	Elements	Description	Marks
1.	Nritta	The rhythmic element – Nritta is the illustration of rhythm through graceful body movements	15
2.	Nritya	The expressional element – combination of rhythm with expressions	15
3.	Choreography	Formations, movements, etc.	15
4.	Costume	Including make-up	15
5.	Stage Setting		10
6.	Music		15
7.	Overall Impression		15
Grand Total			100

Special Remarks:

1. Minimum of 5 and maximum of 10 participants
2. No restriction on choice of song (traditional or modern).
3. A maximum of 4 mins to set up and clear out the settings
4. All materials brought to the stage shall be cleared and taken away from the Kalamela premises

Description of the Event:

Thiruvathirakali or Kaikottikalii is a unique dance performed in Kerala on the auspicious days such as Thiruvathira, the birthday of Lord Shiva and Onam. It is performed by women who seek blessings for eternal marital bliss. As per Hindu mythology, this dance is what brought Kamadeva (God of Love) back to life when he had been burnt to ashes by Lord Shiva's fury. The graceful movements of the dance are both enchanting and elegant. The white saris with colourful borders along with fresh jasmines adorning their hair make for a wonderful sight.

Duration of the Event:

Maximum 10 minutes.