

AAPC

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PREAMBLE

The AAPC is made up of 4 categories of competition...

Pole Performer

Burlesque Beauty

Pinup – Pageant & Princess

Inked Idols

Each category is split into divisions for competition (IE Pole=Beginner/Intermediate/Open, Inked=Male/Female) and rules are structured for each category.

These rules stand as a base for the competition.

We aim to offer an event with AAPC that is fun as well as informative; experience and character building. We would like to introduce people new to the sport/arts to what a competitive environment is like; without having

the same stress and strain as a national comp (although it is). We are all inclusive, and any person fitting the skill requirements is permitted to compete in the division in which they feel appropriate.

These rules are in place to help, aid and assist; not to hamper... So please, abide by them. Competitors will be told a number of times both written and verbally that certain things will not be tolerated, and dismissal could be the result if any of the rules are broken. This is a last resort; but we won't hesitate to disqualify trouble makers and ANY entrant performing intoxicated. This said... we are a pretty fair bunch so no decisions will be made lightly.

Thank you for taking the time to prepare an entry, promote, perform and be involved in AAPC. We hope to offer you a helpful, supportive, community environment in which to flourish and have an amazing time 😊

1) ABOUT US

1.i) Organizer Outline

"AAPC" refers to the Australian Amateur Performer Competition on a whole, inclusive of all categories of competition; territories, sections, video heats, live heats, studio shows, and finals.

"The performer or entrant" refers to the person making this application, intending on competing in the AAPC's.

"The organiser" refers to Hayley (Bella) and the Adelaide Dance Parlour. The founder, and facilitators of this event. The Organiser or authorized representative is not liable for injury or damage to persons or property resulting from participation in the competition. This includes any transportation to and from the event.

The Organiser reserve the right to change the rules contained herein without notice.

All decisions not addressed in this document will be made by the Organiser. A decision by the Organiser is binding and final.

The Organizer reserves the right to disqualify any individual at any time from participation in any stage of the program with reason, including, without limitation, any threatening behaviour or harming another person or violating the official rules or other rules then in effect or the standards and practices and policies of the Organiser. Disqualification may result in, among other things, immediate forfeiture of any prize otherwise awarded or award-able.

1.ii) What is AAPC?

AAPC is the only event of its kind, not only in Australia; but worldwide.

Combining modern artistic and creative flair within 4 categories of competition – Pole Performer, Burlesque Beauty, Inked Idol and the Pinups; our aim is to open a unique platform for all levels of up & coming amateur and semi-professional performers wishing to embrace their competitive streak; Plus offer those who don't want to progress to a career, to come together and showcase their skills in a competitive yet supportive environment and experience what a live audience is like through a live performance. AAPC is comprised of 2 skill based categories for competition, plus 2 modern style pageants, and an ideal place for people new or seasoned to be able to compete for a title in a relaxed and professional environment.

How does it impact the community?

We offer a creative outlet for the amateur performers in the pole and burlesque communities, along with up and coming pageant models to showcase their training, improvement and progress through a presentation in a competitive environment. Competitions can provide valuable feedback for training and goal planning to advance development for entrants and we offer a support network to all competitors during the season for guidance and assistance. A facility to do this on an annual basis; the AAPC offers a recognition platform. Tickets are available for the general public offering a unique experience to view the inside world of these artistic forms.

1.iii) GENERAL COMPETITION INFO

Under the Australian Standard of Pole Competitions – we are ranked as a social competition.

Competitors may be studio or self-taught.

Pole performers must be 18+ or if competing in the Junior divisions, be 6-16 years old and have the permission and signature of parent/guardian, with full supervision on day of competition.

Performers can be male or female; All competitive sections are open to all genders.

Entrants may elect to compete in a division they have previously won to "defend their title" for a maximum of 3 times. Should the performers trick/skill level increase, they are required to move up a division.

2) TIMELINE (Calendar competition not included)

<u>Entries open</u>	March 30th 2020
<u>Entries Close</u>	SA June 1st
	QLD June 12th
	VIC July 13th
	NSW August 31st
<u>Heats (TBC)</u>	SA June 20th
	QLD 3rd-5th // 17-19th July
	VIC 7-9th//14-16th August
	NSW September 19th
<u>Grand Finals</u>	October 16-18th (SA)

3) **HOW TO ENTER**

3.i) **Steps for entry**

To enter, Contestants are required to submit an application form including entry video via google forms, \$40 application fee and supply 1 professional photograph for promotions. All pieces of application must be completed for the entry to be deemed successful (Application fees are per person – duo/group charged at \$30 per person) Late entries will be accepted up to 3 days after closing, but incur a fee of \$50.

There are 2 options for submitting a video entry. Competitors may elect to enter whichever state heat (IE: SA or VIC) they prefer. Competitors may enter more than one state heat but a fee is payable per state entered. After submission, applications are reviewed and a confirmation email sent. Registration forms must be received at latest 2 weeks before the events. This is to ensure we can process all documents and send the appropriate information to each staff member.

Details for competing

- i) The Performer may choose the music/costume/styling etc for his/her show where applicable.
- ii) The Performer may enter multiple categories (IE- Ink & Pinup) but only one skill based division (IE- Pinup Miss only. Cannot enter Miss and Ms). A separate application must be received for each category or state the entrant intends on competing.
- iii) Male and female entrants permitted.
- iv) Competitors may compete again in the same division to “defend their title” if skill level does not permit them to move up a division to a maximum of three times.
- v) Entrants may elect to compete in multiple states. If an entrant competes in one state, and wins, they are not eligible to win another state they compete in. They may still compete and be judged, these scores however will be voided for the heat, but count towards the Face of AAPC scores.
- vi) Competitors will not be paid for any part of the competition nor reimbursed for travel, accommodation or expenses.
- vii) An expert judging panel from the industries will score the competitors presentation (performance or parade, their decision is final.
- viii) The Organiser reserves the right to expel a performer from participation or to disqualify any individual at any time from participation in any stage of the program with reason, including, without limitation, any threatening behaviour or harming another person, violating the official rules or other rules in effect or the standards and practices and policies of the Organiser. Disqualification may result in, amongst other things, immediate forfeiture of any prize otherwise awarded or award-able along with barring from future events.
- ix) During the competition, the performer must abide by the rules and arrive in advance as stated by the Competition Organizer. Any failure to abide by the rules as set will result in immediate disqualification.
- x) It is expected all finalists invited to compete in the Grand finals will be able to attend the event in South Australia. AAPC does not provide transport or accommodation, travel is the onus of competitors.
- xi) On the day of competition; there will be a semi-dress rehearsal. This is a time for each person to run through their routine/parades. We will run through any choreography and standing positions on the day.
- xii) Competitors may join the audience after their performance provided they have purchased a reserved seat.
- xiii) Performers may not communicate with members of the judging panel before, during or after the designated times of Heats, Semi-finals or the Grand Final Competition;

3.ii) **Application Info**

Photographs may be professional or taken at home/in studio. Please be aware that these will be shared within our social media and for advertising purposes so please have a nice clear shot, and not too much background clutter. For examples, please see our facebook page for prior competitor announcement images.

3.iii) Initial Selection Criteria

- i) The Performer must have at least 6 months of training and experience
- ii) The Performer must be at least 18 years of age OR have guardian sign-off
- iii) The Performer must be an Australian citizen or Australian resident.
- iv) Competitors can be studio trained or self taught.
- v) It is assumed that the performer is ready for performance.
- vi) The entrant declares they have no contracts of obligation to other organizations or persons related to performance, modelling or entertainment.

3.iv) Application and Entry conditions

- i) May only be submitted by the Performer/Entrant.
- ii) For an application to be deemed successful, receipt of all components is required. A completed and signed application form accompanied with registration fee, promotional photograph and copy of video entry if required, prior to competition closure dates. Fees will apply for late entries.
- iii) Participation in the competitions (heats, semi-finals and/or finals) requires receipt of the completed and signed forms with all components and close adherence to all the conditions outlined within the rules and regulations.
- iv) A successful application will receive a confirmation email, and document if we require further information for the events.
- v) A successful finalist for the grand finals will receive a registration pack and be notified of further details closer to the date of event.
- vi) The Performer declares that he/she has no contracts of obligations by other organisations or persons related to dancing or performance and entering AAPC will not be a conflict of interest
- vii) A non-refundable registration fee of \$40 will be charged to every person submitting an entry (duo and group applications are charged per person at \$30). If this fee is not received with receipt of registration forms and video link prior to closure dates, application will be deemed unsuccessful. This does not include "Calendar Contests"; these sections of the competition are free to enter.
- viii) Submitting an application does not guarantee performance in a live competition.
- ix) Final registration forms (containing tech requests and stage notes) plus music must be submitted at least 1 week prior to the live event dates electronically in MP3 format only. All media must be clearly labelled or attached with note of performer name & division, length of music and title of show/song where possible.
- x) Please ensure all media sent (music, photographs and any video) is clearly renamed or labelled with performer name and division of competition.

4) COMPETITION LAYOUT

There are 2 parts to AAPC Inked; the monthly calendar contest (Inked Idol In Print) and a full live parade show (Australian Inked Idol). The live shows will consist of state heats (where possible) and a Grand Final in South Australia.

All parts to the competition are judged by a panel, according to the judging criteria set; apart from the "Inked Idol of the Year" which is a crowd favourite vote of the winners of each month of the calendar contest.

HEATS

Upto a maximum of 10 competitors in a single division to a total of 30 competitors will be chosen from the submissions to move onto the live heats. Competitors may elect to enter a state heat they do not reside in. (IE- participant from WA may elect to compete in the SA staged live heats)

FINALS

Top scoring finalists across all heats will be invited to compete in the Grand Finals with the inclusion of judges wildcard selections. Winner & Runner-up of each stage event held will be offered automatic entry to compete in the Grand Finals. Approximately 8-10 finalists will be chosen per division.

Entries open to female and male competitors, pairs and juniors.

5) DIVISION BREAKDOWNS

Calendar competition (each month)

NO DIVISIONS. Themes are set each month by the competition; images must fit this theme.

Inked Idols annual competition

- Miss Inked Idol (18-34)
- Ms Inked Idol (35+)
- Mr Inked Idol (18+)

6) ROUTINE/PARADE REQUIREMENTS

6.i Parade Components

HEATS

There will be 2 section to the competition, plus pose off at the end of the themed round.

- Personality Plus (themed outfit)
- Show us your tats (beach or lingerie)

GRAND FINAL There will be 3 sections to the competition, pose off with the casual and themed parade rounds.

- Casual/Everyday wear
- Personality Plus (themed outfit)
- Formal wear

A "Pose off" is where all competitors are on stage at the same time. Competitors are required to hold a pose (completely still) for 60 seconds.

6.ii) Presentation

- Skimpy/revealing clothing and clothing removal is OK but competitors may not perform nude/partially nude.
- The "Personality Plus" themed round can be whatever outfit the competitor chooses. This is a chance to show the judges your personality and a little about you.

6.iv Props

- A competitor may use props in their show. (No long cleanups – penalties may apply)
- There is to be NO fire/flames or live animals, and no large amounts of liquid. No exceptions.
- Performers are not permitted to use members of the crowd, or leave the stage and during their show.
- Back up dancers or other people are permitted on stage during the performer's show. A plant in the audience may be used, but crowd participation is not permitted.

HEATS - No large props, hand held and small easy setup only. Absolutely NO multiple prop setup. If you can't carry your props on yourself; they are too big. No "big mess" cleanups (IE glitter, petals, confetti.)

FINALS - May use larger props with setup and props that are considered messy (IE large confetti, petals, easy sweep things. No small glitter or powder, large amounts of liquid or animals) but no long cleanups please. Any longer than 90secs will incur a 5 point loss for every 30 seconds over. Please note all confetti/glitter use must be approved by organiser before use.

6.v Judging criteria

Posing	Is the model comfortable? Is it a complimentary pose? Standard or unique?
Poise & Confidence	How confident is the model? Display good posture and body awareness?
Styling	Costuming, Props appropriation, Cohesion, Appropriation
Capture (of image)	Do they make you stop and look (for the right reasons)? Is it clear, in focus?
Concept	Refers to originality, costuming/theme
Adhere/Appropriate	Continuity with rules
Overall	Uniqueness, X factor, Stage presence, Audience engagement.
Tattoo cohesion	Has the model chosen complimentary outfits you can see the tattoos?

MONTHLY CALENDAR

Posing/Poise	Concept/Styling	Capture	Adhere/Appropriate	Overall	Total
/15	/15	/15	/5	/10	/60

HEATS

Show Tats				Personality				Tattoos				BEST vote
Parade				Parade								
/35				/35				/30				
Pose	Styling	Overall	Tattoo cohesion	Pose	Styling	Overall	Pose #1	B&W OR Colour	Cohesive	Art	Overall	-Sleeve -B&W -Colour -Script -Artwork
/Poise				/Poise								
- 10	- 10	- 5	- 10	- 10	- 10	- 5	- 10	-10	-5	-10	-5	

FINALS

Casual				Show Tats				Personality				
Parade				Parade				Parade				
/25				/25				/25				
Pose	Styling	Overall	Tattoo cohesion	Pose	Styling	Overall	Tattoo cohesion	Pose	Styling	Overall	Tattoo cohesion	
/Poise				/Poise				/Poise				
- 5	- 10	- 5	- 5	- 5	- 10	- 5	- 5	- 5	- 10	- 5	- 5	

Tattoos			BEST vote
/25			
B&W OR Colour	Art	Overall	-Sleeve -B&W -Colour -Script -Artwork
-10	-10	-5	

7) TITLES & AWARDS

- The AAPC award is an official title valid for one year commencing from the date of the Competition.
- The title must be used exactly as printed on the sash. Deviation from this is not accepted. You must include AAPC and year.
- An AAPC winner is considered to be an ambassador of that style in Australia and in your winning state.
- It is expected the prize winners will co-operate with the promotion of the competition and activities. This may include pre, during and post competition media interviews, performances and photographs; to take on several promotional activities. This occurs in consultation with the Organisers and may be financially remunerated for such activities.
- The Organiser reserves the right to retract the title if the Performer causes any damages to the Competition. In the case of retraction, the runner up will become the new elected title holder

Official titles available for 2020:

AAPC Inked Idol In-Print (with month/year)
 AAPC Australian Miss Inked Idol
 AAPC Australian Ms Inked Idol
 AAPC Australian Mr Inked Idol

Supplement Awards: (subject to change)

AAPC Inked Idol Media Mogul
 AAPC Inked Idol Miss Deeds (congeniality)
 AAPC Inked Idol Miss Appropriation (best outfit)
 AAPC Inked Idol Judges Choice
 AAPC Inked Idol Sponsors Choice

Tattoo Awards:

AAPC Inked Idol Best Black and Grey
 AAPC Inked Idol Best Colour
 AAPC Inked Idol Best Sleeve (leg or arm)
 AAPC Inked Idol Best Script
 AAPC Inked Idol Best Artwork

An overall title is also available across the entire AAPC competition, all categories. The 'Face of AAPC' is a sponsored title awarding the overall highest scorer of the competition with first place, and a second place is also awarded to the second highest score, but highest score from a differing category.

8) CODE OF CONDUCT

We will not tolerate unsportsman like behaviour from competitors or coaches. When back stage, EVERYONE is reportable to the Stage Manager and AAPC staff, and their direction must be adhered to.

- i) No entrant is to arrive at the venue or perform while intoxicated or under the influence. Failure to adhere to this will result in immediate disqualification.
- ii) No bitchiness will be tolerated. You are there to promote your sport and art in a positive light, so no backstage bitching. Be helpful and supportive of your fellow competitors please! Any major disturbances could result in disqualification.
- iii) There are to be NO friends, family or partner's backstage on the night of the show. The dressing rooms are only for competitors and staff. Your coach/trainer may enter the bay area. This helps to ensure privacy of competitors and safety for persons and belongings. Female and male performers/competitors will be sharing the same space; so please be aware of this and act in a professional manner. We will have back stage runners and helpers to assist competitors.
- iv) It is expected that all competitors will assist with promotion through social media and marketing activities to enhance awareness, advertising and ticket sales.
- v) Entrants are expected to maintain a high level of integrity and moral code.
- vi) Failure to comply could result in ejection from the event and disqualification.

9) FILM & PHOTOGRAPHY

- i) Any images or footage submitted to the competition for promotions must have photographer permission to use. This is the responsibility of the performer to ensure no copyright infringement. Express permission must be given for use within promotion and the purposes of the competition, including digital media and print
- ii) All photography, video and any other footage taken at events and live competitions remain the property of the Organiser and photographer/s. The Performer has no rights to compensation for photography and other footage made before, during and after the competition.
- iii) The Performer explicitly and irrevocably agrees that all footage and photography can be used by the Organiser for promotional, advertising and commercial purposes.
- iv) It is preferred that any photos provided for use will have a watermark of the photographer's logo. The Organiser reserves the right to publish said photos for the purposes of promoting the AAPCs'.
- v) Where possible, we will provide all competitors with copies of their images and video. This may be at a cost.

10) LIABILITY & MEDIA RELEASE

Acknowledgement, Release and Indemnity

- I acknowledge that this is a condition of participating in this Activity that I do so at my own risk.
- I acknowledge that participating in this Activity may involve a risk of serious injury or even death from various causes including: over exertion, dehydration, equipment failure and accidents with equipment and surroundings.
- I understand the nature of this Activity. I attest I am physically fit to participate safely in the Activity and that a qualified medical practitioner has not advised me otherwise. I am not aware of any medical condition, injury or impairment that will be detrimental to my health if I participate in this Activity. In the event that I become aware of any medical condition, injury or impairment that may be detrimental to my health if I participate in this Activity the Organiser will be immediately informed.
- I give the Organiser permission to use any photographs or video images submitted to the competition or taken during the competition of me for whatever purpose they deem appropriate. I understand the copyright will belong to the photographer and Organiser and hereby surrender any ownership of such images and footage and understand I am not entitled to compensation for use of media items. I am also aware I have the right to request any media not presented on social media or internet platforms.
- I understand my personal data will be protected and not shared or sold, with the exception of disclosure of stage name and email address to sponsors of the AAPC competition to allow the supply of communication in regards to prizes and promotions.
- I accept all risk and hereby indemnify and release the Organiser, Venue, their agents, affiliates, employees, members, sponsors, promoters and any person or body directly and indirectly associated with them, against all liability (including theft, injury, property or personal damage or liability for their negligence and the negligence of others) claims, demands and proceeding arising out of or connected with my participation in this Activity.
- This release and indemnity is forever continuing and binds my heirs, successors, executors, personal representatives and assigns.
- I certify that I am 18 years or older and have read this document and fully understand it

I, _____ agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations set out within this document as part of the Australian Amateur Performer Competition.

I understand that this is a legally binding document containing liability, indemnity and photo release.

Signed: _____

(Digital submission of name will count as a signature)

Name: _____

Date: _____