

Sci-Art AquaWeek 2016

Description of Contests for Elementary Schools

Talentong Dagat: “*Kanta, sayaw, palabas tungkol sa (buhay) dagat*”
(28 July, Thursday, 8 am –12 nn)

This contest is open to teams (each composed of one teacher-coach and four pupils) from all interested elementary schools. The main tasks are: (1) find a song, dance, play/story, or other act about the sea, or the lives of coastal people; (2) learn it and practice to stage it in an engaging way; (3) perform it in 3–5 minutes to a FishWorld audience on 28 July, Thursday. For this competition, teams have to do the following:

Weeks before AquaWeek:

1. Find and learn a **song** about the sea or about animals or people of the sea, e.g., *Under the Sea, Dandansoy, Si Filemon, Turagsoy*, etc.
2. Or find and learn a **dance** about the sea or about animals or people of the sea, e.g., *Under the Sea, Pangingisda*, etc.
3. Or write/create, or find and learn a **play or story** about the sea or about animals or people of the sea, e.g., *Under the Sea*, etc.
4. Or put together an **act** (some combination of song, dance, play, poem, or other performance) about the sea or about animals or people of the sea.
5. Decide on the component(s) of the performance. For example, the performance could be a song or instrument solo, a chorus, or a band; a pair or group dance; a big drama or comedy. It may be in English, Filipino, or Ilonggo.
6. All performances must have an underlying ocean, sea, or water theme, and must be educational, engaging (emotional), and entertaining.
7. Practice the performance repeatedly. The teacher directs and critiques.
8. Plan to use only simple and inexpensive (or recycled) props or costumes.

On 28 July, morning:

1. Register at 8 am and get from the FishWorld staff a team number indicating the order of performance.
2. Study the FishWorld mini-stage in Toledo Hall (back lobby) and make final adjustments in the performance.
3. Performances start at 9 am. Teams have 3–5 minutes for the presentation.
4. Criteria for judging the performances:
 - choice of song, dance, play, or act about the sea or the lives of coastal people (20 pts)
 - singing, dancing, acting, or performing ability of the contestants (10 pts for each pupil, total 40 pts)
 - direction by the Teacher-Coach (10 pts)
 - props and costumes (20 pts)
 - educational and emotional value of the performance (10 pts)
5. Other notes for the contest:
 - Judges: AQD researchers and the FishWorld Curator
 - Maximum score 100 points. Minimum score to be considered for a prize is 70 points.
 - Top three scorers >70 win prizes: First (P2,000), Second (P1,700), and Third (P1,500).
 - Non-winning teams with scores ≥ 70 get P1,000 to subsidize expenses for practice and props.
 - Contestants and coaches will receive Certificates of Participation on contest day.
 - Certificates of Merit and cash prizes will be awarded to the winners at 3 pm on Friday, 29 July.