

Jannese Davidson Memorial Tournament

October 11th-13th, 2024 – Concordia University Irvine

The Concordia University Irvine Forensics Team invites you to participate in the **Jannese Davidson Memorial Tournament** on **October 11th-13th, 2024**. Jannese, a former Arizona State and Azusa Pacific competitor, as well as Director of Individual Events at Concordia, tragically passed away on August 31st, 2014. This tournament is held in her honor.

Many of you will recall that Concordia already hosted the Davidson in 2024. To accommodate the campus scheduling difficulties for some other campuses in our area, the Davidson has moved into October for the foreseeable future.

Jannese competed in both speech and debate events, so the Davidson Memorial will offer all 11 AFA/NFA/Phi Rho Pi speech events, NPDA Debate, IPDA Debate, and NFA-LD Debate. As in previous years, there are no entry fees, but **ALL ENTRIES MUST** be covered. NPDA debate takes place on Friday and Saturday, IPDA and NFA debate takes place on Saturday and Sunday, while speech events are all on Sunday. There will also be a second speech tournament offered on Saturday (October 12th) for those not competing in either IPDA/NFA debate events, or in NPDA elimination rounds. See the Golden Eagle Classic for more information about this one-day speech tournament

GENERAL SPECIFICS

ENTRIES: Please submit your squad's entries by Monday, October 7th at 6:00 pm (Pacific time) to www.forensicstournament.net. There are no fees to compete. None. *Es ist kostenlos.* это бесплатно.

JUDGING: Each program MUST cover all its entries. One full-time judge can cover 8 total speech entries, 2 NPDA teams, and 3 IPDA/NFA-LD debaters. Debate judges are obligated for one elimination round past the elimination of their program's last team/debater. Speech judges are obligated through finals. For programs having trouble locating enough judges, we encourage you to visit www.hiredjudge.com.

E-BALLOTS: Jannese loved technology, and so do we! All events will use e-ballots. Judges will need an email address or cell phone number where they can receive a link to their ballots, as well as a device with Internet access. ALL ballots will be electronic.

THE CAMPUS: Concordia, a smoke-free campus, is located at 1530 Concordia West, Irvine, CA 92612. Parking is free (of course). Inform the gate that you are with the tournament.

FOOD: Sorry, there is no such thing as a free lunch (or dinner). However, CUI's cafeteria serves brunch from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm on Saturday and Sunday, and 5:00-6:30 for dinner on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. Meals can be purchased at the door for \$11.00/brunch and \$12.00/dinner. To help the cafeteria prepare, please advise Konrad (konrad.hack@cui.edu) in advance if your squad intends to buy cafeteria meals.

SPEECH SPECIFICS

EVENTS: The tournament will offer 2 preliminary rounds and finals in Open and Novice divisions of all 11 AFA/NFA/Phi Rho Pi speech events in the following patterns: A = EXT, INF, ADS, PRO, POE; B = IMP, PER, CA, DRA, POI, DUO. Students may enter THREE events per pattern. In Open division, one final round will be held (or 3rd prelim for one-panel events). In novice, events with more than 30 entries will hold festival finals. If there is a judge shortage, novice finals may have 1 or 2 judges.

DIVISIONS: Novices should be in their 1st year of collegiate speech competition (with no or limited high school experience) and have not place 3rd or higher twice in college competition. All other competitors should compete in Open division.

TIE BREAKERS: Competitors will be ordered by (1) ranks, (2) reciprocals, and (3) ratings. In final rounds, placing will be determined by (1) ranks in finals, (2) judge's preference, (3) reciprocals, and (4) ratings. Festival-finals will use the tiebreakers in the PSCFA handbook.

DEBATE SPECIFICS

FORMATS: The tournament will offer 5 rounds of NPDA debate, and 4 rounds of both IPDA-LD and NFA-LD. Debaters may participate in NPDA debate and ONE LD event.

DIVISIONS: Novice, Junior and Senior divisions will be offered. NPDA & NFA debate will follow NPDA division rules, while IPDA will follow IPDA division rules. Keeping divisions distinct is our priority. However, if a division has fewer than 8 entries, it may be collapsed into a higher division.

PAIRINGS: The first round will be randomly matched. Subsequent rounds will be high-low power-matched. A limited number of judge strikes will be offered to senior division NPDA debate teams.

ELIM ROUNDS: NPDA debate will offer a full slate of elimination rounds in all divisions. In both NFA-LD and IPDA-LD, Novice and Junior divisions will hold two elimination rounds (Bronze & Gold debates), while Senior will have a full slate of elimination rounds. One judge may be used in novice elimination rounds if a judge shortage occurs.

TIE BREAKERS: In NPDA, teams will first be ranked by wins, followed by adjusted speaker points, then total speaker points, opposition record and finally by Z-Score. In NFA & IPDA debate events, competitors will first be ranked by wins, then total speaker points, adjusted points, opposition wins, and finally Z-Score. Brackets will be broken in elimination rounds.

AWARDS SPECIFICS

INDIVIDUALS: All debaters advancing to elimination debates (and speakers in NPDA Debate) will receive an award. All speech finalists will receive an award. Additionally, the top 5 overall speech competitors will be recognized. Points in finals will use the school formula below. Students earn points for preliminary rounds, receiving 1.5 points for a 1st, 1 point for a 2nd, and 0.5 point for a 3rd. If two or more competitors are tied for a spot, the following tie-breakers will be used: (1) points in final rounds; (2) number of first places, the number of second places, etc.

NINJA-PIXIE: Because Jannese competed in both debate and speech events, overall awards will be presented. To be eligible, students need to enter both speech and debate events. Points for speech will be earned using the individual sweepstakes formula noted above and will earn points for debate and Readers Theater using the school formula described below.

SCHOOL: The top 5 schools in both 2-Year and 4-Year divisions will be recognized. In NPDA debate, each elimination round in which a team competes earns 6 points, plus 6 points for the first-place team. In LD debate events, Gold=15 points, Silver=10 points, and Bronze=5 points. In speech, 1st=10 points, 2nd=8 points, 3rd=6 points, and finalists earn 4 points.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, October 11th

11:00 REGISTRATION (Grimm 120)

12:00 Topic Announced: Round 1
 12:20 Round 1: NPDA Debate
 1:45 Topic Announced: Round 2
 2:05 Round 2: NPDA Debate
 3:30 Topic Announced: Round 3
 3:50 Round 3: NPDA Debate

5:00 DINNER BREAK – On Your Own

5:45 Topic Announced: Round 4
 6:05 Round 4: NPDA Debate
 7:30 Topic Announced: Round 5
 7:50 Round 5: NPDA Debate

SATURDAY, October 12th

7:00 REGISTRATION (Grimm 120)

8:30 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 1A
 Round 1A: NFA-LD Debate
 9:00 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 1B
 9:15 Round 1B: NFA-LD Debate
 10:15 Topic Announced: Elim #1
 10:35 Elim Round #1: NPDA Debate
 11:45 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 2A
 Round 2A: NFA-LD Debate
 12:15 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 2B
 12:30 Round 2B: NFA-LD Debate
 1:30 Topic Announced: Elim #2
 1:50 Elim Round #2: NPDA Debate
 3:00 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 3A
 Round 3A: NFA-LD Debate
 3:30 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 3B
 3:45 Round 3B: NFA-LD Debate
 4:45 Topic Announced: Elim #3
 5:05 Elim Round #3: NPDA Debate
 6:15 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 4A
 Round 4A: NFA-LD Debate
 6:45 IPDA Topic Draw: Round 4B
 7:00 Round 4B: NFA-LD Debate
 ASAP Elim Round #4: NPDA Debate

SUNDAY, October 13th

8:00 CHAPEL (Good Shepherd)

8:30 Extemp Draw
 8:45 Round One: Pattern A Events
 (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE)
 10:00 Round One: Pattern B Events
 (IMP, PER, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)

11:00 LUNCH BREAK – On Your Own

11:30 Extemp Draw
 11:45 Round Two: Pattern A Events
 (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE)
 1:00 Round Two: Pattern B Events
 (IMP, PER, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
 2:15 IPDA Topic Draw: Bronze Round
 2:30 Bronze Round: NFA-LD Debate
 2:45 Bronze Round: IPDA Debate
 3:30 Extemp Draw
 3:45 Finals: Pattern A Events
 (EXT, INFO, ADS, PRO, POE)
 5:00 Finals: Pattern B Events
 (IMP, PER, CA, DRA, POI, DUO)
 6:00 IPDA Topic Draw: Gold Round
 6:15 Gold Round: NFA-LD Debate
 6:30 Gold Round: IPDA Debate
 7:00 AWARDS CEREMONY (CU Center)
 ASAP Semifinals and Finals:
 Sr. IPDA & NFA-LD Debate

Schedule Notes:

1. Because the LD portions of the tournament are double-flighted, judges and debaters should use their "break" time for meals. We suggest eating during Round 2 (lunch) and Round 4 (dinner).
2. If NPDA Debate finalists are not competing in either IPDA or NFA debate, the final round may be accelerated.
3. Any LD debaters in elimination rounds and Extemp will be slotted as Speaker 3 (or later) in Extemp.
4. Whenever possible, we will accelerate the schedule. Please watch both email/text and physical postings for any updates.