

## AIM PERFORMANCE EXAMS 2021

Dear teachers, students, and parents,

This year our performance exams will be different than ever before due to the COVID-19 pandemic. While we are thrilled to be able to complete the exams and hope to make them as “normal” of an experience as possible, we do ask for your patience, flexibility, and attention to detail as we work through this process.

Judges will be given the opportunity to decide if they would like to judge remotely by watching pre-recorded exams or if they are comfortable administering in-person exams. Likewise, students will have the chance to list their preference. For levels 1 and 2, remote exams will be done in real time via Zoom. For levels 3 through 12, remote exams will be done in a pre-recorded format. It is of utmost importance that students follow the [Guidelines for Pre-Recording linked here](#). Any student who submits a video that does not follow these guidelines will be given an incomplete. Students completing pre-recorded exams will take the technique portion with their own studio teachers in their lesson. Technique will not be pre-recorded.

For students who elect to take an in-person exam, the format will be the same as it has been in years past, but the location will be different since Wheaton College is closed to outside groups this year. When given your schedule, please note the location carefully and reach out to your teacher or one of the coordinators if you have any questions. Judges and students must follow basic COVID protocol of wearing a mask and maintaining at least 6 feet of distance at all times.

If any judge or student who has planned to participate in in-person exams needs to quarantine or is sick on the day of exams, they will NOT participate in-person. Students should notify their teacher as soon as they know they cannot attend in-person to decide how to proceed.

Judges, the enrollment form will be different this year. There will be a separate form for levels 1-2 and another for levels 3-12. Both enrollment forms will have additional questions from years past. Please review the forms as soon as they are sent and consult with your students before you plan to submit forms. Your accuracy and attention to detail will be most appreciated here.

Thank you all!

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