



Thank you for your interest in participating in the Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival!

### **Performing and Martial Arts Guidelines**

Attached is an application to join the 2011 Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival as a Performing or Martial Artist.

The Festival has a full day of live performances. The front steps of the courthouse serve as the main stage for the festival. A second stage may be added elsewhere in the Public Square. The *Sakura Matsuri* highlights the culture and traditions of Japan, and the products that are sold in J-Pop Land should reflect this.

**DATE:** Saturday, March 26, 2011  
**PLACE:** Nashville Public Square in Downtown Nashville  
**TIME:** The festival will start at 10:00 am and end at 4:00 pm. The Festival is held rain or shine.

- The Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival Committee will decide the stage location for each performer.
- The Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival Committee will do its best to accommodate performance time requests, but it will make the final decision on schedules.
- Applications are due by February 15, 2011. Performance times may not be available for applications submitted after February 15, 2011.
- You will be notified within 30 days after application whether you have been accepted.
- Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival volunteers will not help sell or distribute information related to your performance.
- Performers are personally responsible for medical and personal injury insurance.
- You are invited to display information related to your group and your performance. Please indicate on your application whether you wish to do so.
- Your performance must reflect some aspect of Japanese culture.

► First-time applicants **MUST** enclose information, photographs, brochures, visuals, DVDs, CDs, website links, etc. of their performance. (NOTE: Pictures, DVDs, etc. will not be returned.)

► Submit the attached 2-page application, together with (1) participant information; (2) participation fee, and your additional electrical requirements (if any) ◀



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**APPLICATION FORM – PAGE 1**

Affiliation/Organization/Performer Name:	
Contact Person:	
Title of Contact Person:	
Mailing Address:	
Telephone Number - Work:	
Telephone Number - Cell:	
Email Address:	Website Address:
How would you like your name / your organization's name to appear in any festival publications?	
Number of people in your group:	
Please describe your group in one paragraph. What kind of group are you? Where are you from? What kind of music, dance, martial arts, etc. do you specialize in? Include information that you would like publicized - - your history, traditions, training, the number of participants, places venues where you have performed, awards or distinctions, etc.	

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**APPLICATION FORM – PAGE 2**

<p><b>UNLOADING INFORMATION:</b>                  Do you need help unloading?                   If yes, how many people do you need to help unload?                   Unloading time needed:</p>
<p>Please list any special requests you have for assistance, special equipment, electricity, etc.:</p>
<p><b>EQUIPMENT:</b>                  Please indicate the need and number for any of the following (there may be charges associated with these items):                   _____ standing mics      _____ lowered mics      _____ hand-held mics                   _____ tape recorder      _____ CD Player      _____ chair(s)      _____ table(s)                   Please indicate any additional needs:</p>
<p><b>PERFORMANCE TIME:</b>                   Performers are usually allocated 20 minutes to perform, with 5 minutes for set-up &amp; 5 minutes for breakdown. Please indicate your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, or 3<sup>rd</sup> preference time slots                   10am–12pm _____      12pm–2pm _____      2pm–4pm _____   <i>(The Nashville Cherry Blossom Festival Committee will do its best to accommodate your preference, but choices are <u>not</u> guaranteed.)</i></p>
<p>Do you want to display information and/or sell materials throughout the day at the festival?      Yes / No                   If yes, what?</p>
<p>Do you have any other requests / suggestions / questions?</p>

**Please return this 2-page form and fees (payable to JAST) by February 15\*\* to:**  
**Japan-America Society of Tennessee**  
**P.O. Box 19046, Nashville, TN 37219**  
**Email: [info@nashvillecherryblossomfestival.org](mailto:info@nashvillecherryblossomfestival.org) Phone: (615)663-6060**

*\*\*This is an **initial** deadline. Applications will be accepted after this date if space is still available, but vendors cannot be guaranteed participation and/or listing in all publicity if registered after February 15.*