



21st Miori Martial Arts *All Star Showcase*

Date: Saturday, April 22nd

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. (includes an intermission)

Place: Chittenango High School Auditorium

Dear Student/Parent,

On **Saturday, April 22nd**, we will be having our **21st All*Star Showcase**. This will be an awesome family event in which **ALL** Miori Martial Arts students have the opportunity to **perform on stage** in front of friends and family. **Ages 3½ to adult and white belt thru black belt are encouraged to participate in this monumental event** – it only comes once each year! We already know this will be a **positive, upbeat** experience for all, and will be an awesome time of camaraderie for our three locations.

Performance Types:

GROUP FORMS: For this category there will be two to six members of a group performing the same form/kata. This is open to all ranks, and may include weapons (sai, bo staff, etc.)

SKITS: This is open to all ranks, and is a more creative category. Students are allowed to write and perform their own moves, with 2-3 other partners. They must take at least one private lesson with an instructor to audition.

GROUP OTHER: This includes any other type of group performance, such as demonstrating punches, kicks or blocks on shields or target pads, half mooning or Chinese foot maneuvers, etc.

SOLO FORMS: This category is for **green belt and above** and **is very limited**. We are only allowing each form and weapon to be performed a certain number of times, so we recommend you choose now.

We strongly recommend private lessons for these categories to maximize the level of the performance.

TINY TIGER/
LITTLE DRAGON: These performances will be set up by the instructors, and music will be chosen for them. Practices will be during their regular classes.

Music: All students must audition with music and be approved to be able to perform.

All performances will be accompanied by music, **and an instructor must approve the music**. Try to choose music with an upbeat rhythm, and if possible, no words, and it should be appropriate to the performance itself. If there are words, listen closely to the content and theme of the song before you bring it in to an instructor for approval, and **you must provide a printed copy of the words along with the song**. Each song will only be used once in the show and will be approved on a first come first served basis. So choose now!

All songs must be turned in on or before February 15th or they will not be accepted.

Uniforms:

You may order the **Showcase ghi**, picked especially for this event. (See your instructor to order yours.) Uniforms must be clean, pressed, and look sharp, and have both the School Logo and Flag patches! For GROUP FORMS, all members of the group must wear the same color uniform (all white, all black, or all Showcase ghi). For SOLO PERFORMANCES you may wear your uniform of choice.

Dress Rehearsal:

We will be having a full dress rehearsal for the Showcase on Friday, April 21st, the night before, at Chittenango High school. **This is a mandatory rehearsal** during which we give the performers a chance to see and actually be up on the stage for a quick run through of their performance. There will also be rehearsals at the individual studios in the weeks just before the Showcase. These are opportunities to improve the quality of your performances, so please take advantage of them.

Showcase Program:

We offer advertising in our programs! Would you like to let over 600 people know about your business? This is a great opportunity for you to promote your business to the **whole** Miori Martial Arts family. We are offering a few table spaces along with your advertisement at a special rate to further promote your business. We also allow special dedications and congratulations to your favorite student. Talk with an instructor about sizes and rates!

Tickets:

There is no charge for anyone performing in the Showcase. Spectator tickets may be purchased now until they are sold out. We strongly encourage you to put them in a safe place and **remember to bring them the day of the Show.**

Spectator tickets: \$10.00 in advance, \$12.00 the day of the show (children 4 and under are no charge)

Additional Information:

The day of the Showcase all students must be at the school at 11:30 a.m. for the final preparations, and are required to stay for the whole event, so please be prepared for this. There will be a food concession available during intermission. Please understand that this is a **once a year** event, and much time is put into making the entire Showcase exciting. All students should be proud to participate from the very start to the Encore Performance at the end of the Show.

We will be holding a bake sale to benefit the Konosioni Lodge #950 annual Easter basket give away for families in need in our communities. We are looking for volunteers to make items to sell. What's your specialty?

Please fill out the permission/entry form as soon as possible and return it to an instructor, along with your music selections. Anyone who wishes to volunteer to help – we need lots! – please also fill out the form and return it.

Please fill out this **permission/commitment** form and return it to your instructor. *This is your commitment to participate in the Showcase as a volunteer or a performer (and reserves your performance!)* Performers need to submit only one form per family with everyone's name listed, and volunteers must submit a separate one.

Performer Name(s): _____

or

Volunteer Name(s) _____

Parent/Participant Signature: _____