



## Guidebook for the 2018 Nan Ying International Folklore Festival (NYIFF)

*Nan Ying International Folklore Festival has been a biennial festival since 1996. This festival is held to preserve the cultural heritage from nations around the world and to provide an opportunity for international cultural exchange. It has been one of the major cultural events in Tainan City for the past two decades. 2018 will be the 11<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of NYIFF. The festival draws more than ten thousand participants every time it is organized.*

*Tainan City is located in the southern part of Taiwan. It used to be the political and military center from 1624 to 1885. Since then, it has become one of the most important ancient cultural cities in Taiwan. The majority of the cultural heritages in Taiwan are located in Tainan, thus, the festival is closely bound with the historical and cultural background of Tainan City.*




**DATE:** Oct. 5 - 14, 2018 (estimated 10 days)




**VENUE:** Tainan, Taiwan




1. *Main Stage* - Nan Ying Green Heart Park, Tainan City (Open Air)
2. *Tour Stage* - The indoor or outdoor spaces at certain districts in Tainan City (exact venue to be confirmed)

**ORGANIZER:** Cultural Affairs Bureau of Tainan City Government, Taiwan




## A. Important events of our festival: (tentative schedule)

EVENT	DATE	TIME	INFO	PHOTO of 2016 NYIFF
Press Conference	10/5 (Fri.)	10:30	<p>1. Introduction of the festival and the performance team to the press.</p> <p>2. The mayor of Tainan City will hand out local souvenirs to the group representatives and take a group photo.</p>	
Meeting	10/5 (Fri.)	11:30	Ice breaking session for the festival organizer, group leaders and guides, and to confirm the schedule as well as details.	
Pop-up event / Rehearsal	10/5 (Fri.)	16:00	<p>Some groups will participate in our pop – up events and have fun with the locals at historic sites or malls.</p> <p>Groups that perform in the opening ceremony will rehearse on the main</p>	

			stage.	
Welcome Party	10/5 (Fri.)	19:00	Welcome all members and guests.	
Parade	10/6 (Sat.)	15:30	Parade in the main streets around the main stage to interact with the locals.	
Opening Ceremony	10/6 (Sat.)	19:30	Half of the groups will perform in the opening ceremony and the other half will perform in the closing ceremony (arranged by the Organizer). Each performance will be <b>3-5</b> minutes long (maximum).	

Performance (Main stage or Tour stage)	10/7-13 (Sun.- Sat.)	19:30	The main stage is in Nan Ying Green Park and the tour stages are in 20 different districts. Each group should have a standard performance that lasts at least <b>20</b> minutes long (either non-stop or with a short break in between for changing costumes).	
Local Life & Culture Experience	10/7-13 (Sun.- Sat.)	11:00 - 15:00	As an important tradition of our festival, groups will have lunch with our friendly families or schools to experience the local life and culture in Tainan.	
Free Day		<b>ALL DAY</b>	The Organizer will arrange one Free Day during the festival, and groups may choose to stay in their hotels or take a day trip around Tainan City by bus. Please note that all group members need to go as one group in the day trip.	



National Day flag-raising ceremony	10/10 (Wed.)	06:00 - 08:30	October 10 is the National Day of Taiwan and we will have a flag-raising ceremony in that morning. Groups are invited to join and experience this ceremony.	
Closing Ceremony	10/14 (Sun.)	16:30	Same arrangement as the Opening Ceremony.	
Farewell Party	10/14 (Sun.)	19:00	A chance for all groups, guides, friendly families and schools to get together and say goodbye to each other.	

## B. Organizer will provide:

### ➤ Airfare Allowance

For countries from **Asia** - US \$2750 (tax included) per group

For countries from **Europe, America, Africa and Oceania** - US \$5500 (tax included) per group

The Airfare Allowance will be paid in NTD cash in the meeting after the press conference. Exchange rate will be based on the spot exchange rate set by the Bank of Taiwan the day before the meeting.

### ➤ Accommodation

Accommodation will be provided during the festival (from Oct. 3/4 to Oct. 15/16). The room type will be **twin rooms** with only **1 single room** for every group. The actual number of rooms varies according to the number and gender of the group members, and the exact duration of stay is based on the arrival date of each group.

### ➤ Meal

All meals (breakfast, lunch and dinner) are included from **Oct. 5 to Oct. 14**.

### ➤ Guide

Each group is assigned **2 guides** who are responsible for assisting the groups during their stay in Taiwan (from airport pick-up to drop-off). The guides are mostly fluent in your language, and all of them can speak English.

### ➤ Local Transportation

We will provide **1 bus** for each group during the festival including airport pick-up. A truck can also be arranged to load the instruments if needed.

### C. Groups are responsible for:

- **International Transportation**, e.g. flight tickets (booking and payment confirmation should be submitted before **July 1, 2018**)
- **VISA for Taiwan** (if needed)
- **International Travel Insurance**
- **International shipping/ cargo** of instruments and costumes for the performance, if needed.

※Each group needs to bring a **flag** from their own country and their traditional costumes (one costume for each gender) for the audience dress-up experience.

※Groups can bring some of their traditional handicraft and unique souvenirs within the permitted scope to sell in the festival. The Organizer will offer booths, tables and chairs.

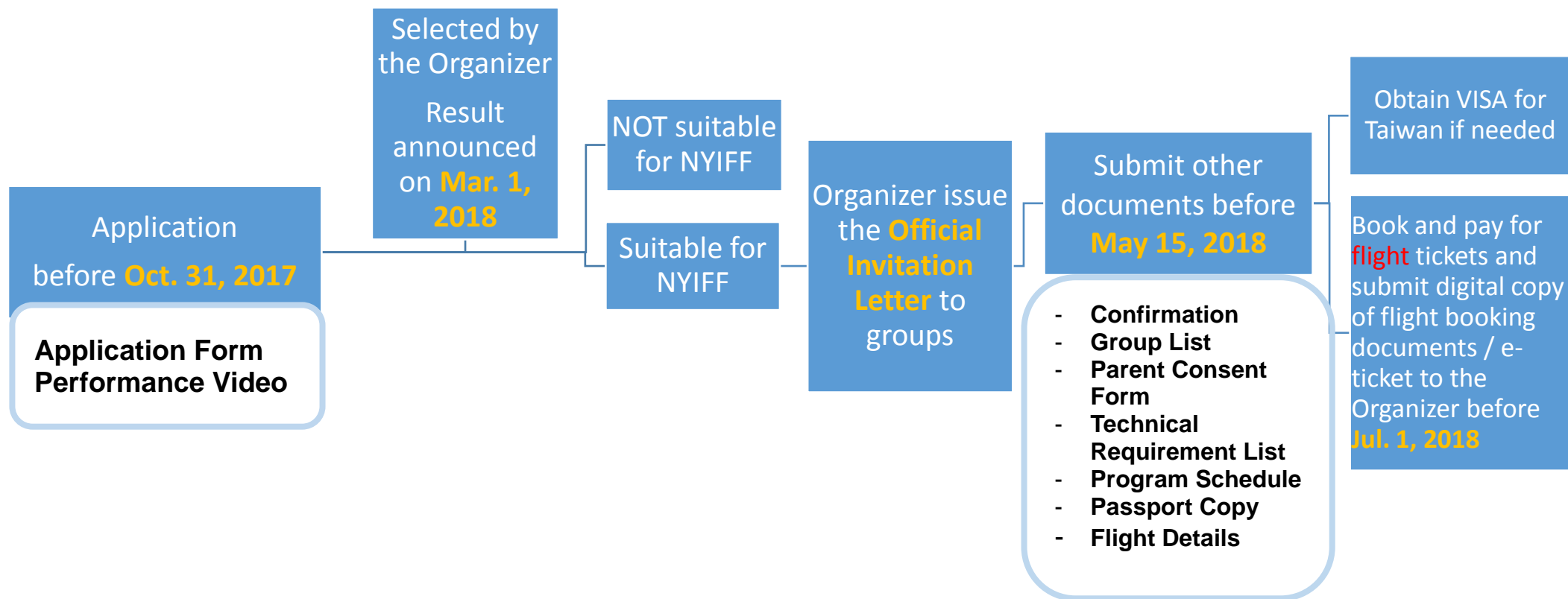
※Groups can bring their brochures or promotional posters if needed.

### D. Eligibility of Applicants

1. **All countries** and **all ages** are welcome to apply.
2. **15-30** participants per group, including administrators, group leader, dancers and musicians.
3. **Participation in the entire event** is mandatory; groups will arrive on the Oct. 3 or 4, 2018 and leave on the Oct. 15 or 16, 2018.
4. **Basic level of English** for email correspondence and oral communication is required. The language used during the festival will be English and Chinese.

## E. Application Timeline

Application starts from now on until **Oct. 31, 2017**. Applicant must submit the following documents to [nyiff.tw@gmail.com](mailto:nyiff.tw@gmail.com) by **email** or **air mail**.



- ◆ For groups that CANNOT submit the **digital copy of flight booking documents (e-ticket)** before **July 1, 2018**, the Organizer reserves the right to **cancel** invitation.



## F. Copyrights

1. The Organizer reserves the rights to broadcast the festival performance, either partially or entirely.
2. The groups should authorize the Organizer to use any performance photos or videos for the festival's affairs.

## E. Travel / Transportation Information

Taiwan is located in East Asia, neighboring China and the Philippines, and Tainan city is in the southern part of Taiwan. There are four airports accessible for traveling to Tainan, namely, Taipei Songshan Airport (TSA), Taiwan Taoyuan International Airport (TPE), Tainan Airport (TNN) and Kaohsiung International Airport (KHH). The transportation information is as follows.

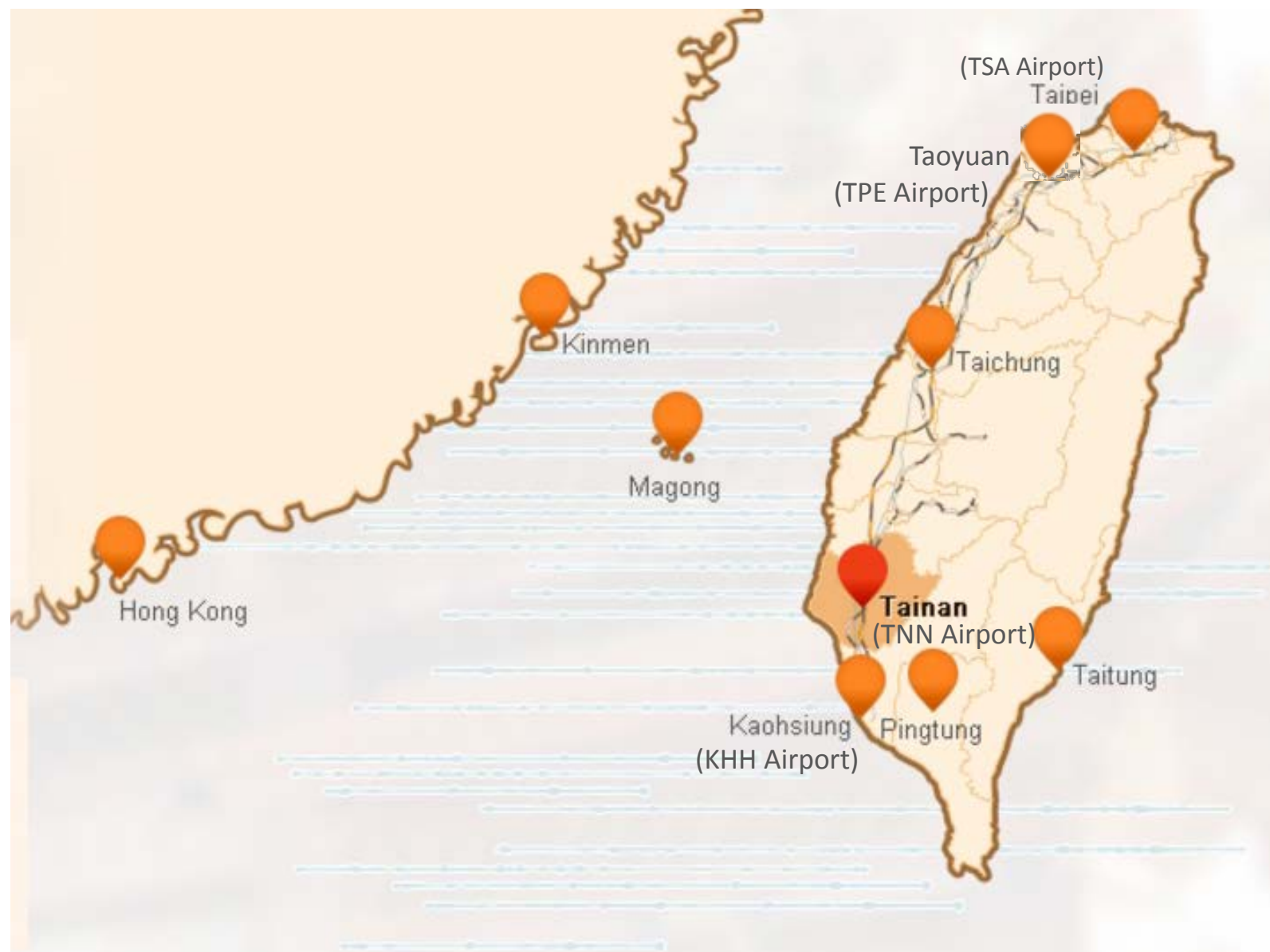
### Bus

Taipei (TSA Airport) – Tainan City / 5hr 30mins

Taoyuan (TPE Airport) –Tainan City / 4hr 30mins

Kaohsiung (KHH Airport) –Tainan City / 1hr





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