Individual Competition rules

This application is for those lodges or chapters who wish to have their ceremonial costume chosen as a finalist in the first NOAC Ceremonial Team Costume Competition

This application will be used to certify those lodges for finalist competition at NOAC 2012. A panel from the "Suit Up For Ceremonies" will select those individuals for participation in the final rounds of competition. Lodge advisers will be informed if their costume is chosen as a finalist. Those selected as finalists <u>will be the only costumes participating in the 2012 NOAC competition</u>. Medals will be awarded for first, second, and third place for the top costumes for each of the four principals. Public recognition will be made at the American Indian themed show at NOAC 2012. All those selected as finalists <u>must</u> attend an evaluation session at NOAC 2012 prior to being judged. **No** feedback will be given before, during, or after the competition. If you are not a finalist and wish for comments or a discussion of your costume, please see the conference schedule for Suit Up For Ceremonies ceremonial costume evaluation and seminars.

Please complete this application and return to **Richard Hynes**, **23 Brushwood Hill, Franklin, MA 02038** postmarked no later than **June 25**, **2012** along with color photographs (front and rear views) of the costume. Please include with this application a brief description of the costume being worn which will include: region, tribe, and time period. Only the costume which is worn for local lodge and chapter events and ceremonies throughout the past year will be accepted for this competition. *Costumes reserved for special occasions or for the purpose of competition only will not be considered!* A separate application must be submitted for each costume in the competition.

Please note this competition is for the Lodge **costume**, NOT necessarily the principal player. In an effort to help avoid scheduling conflicts the Lodge should note that anyone from the Lodge may present themselves in the costume for the competition.

Each ceremonialist must be younger than 21 years of age.