



Virginia is for Lovers *Fall 2017 Swing*



The George Mason University and James Madison University Forensics Teams cordially invite you and your students to attend the 2017 Virginia is for Lovers Fall Swing, October 7-8, 2017. **Both tournaments will take place in Fairfax, VA on the campus of George Mason University.** We will offer all 11 AFA events at both halves of the swing. What follows is information that should make your trip to the swing easier to plan:

SCHEDULE

Saturday, October 7, 2017- James Madison Portion

8:00am - 8:30am	Registration in Robinson Hall B lobby (facing the Mason Pond Parking Deck)
8:30am	Extemp Draw
9:00am	IA (Extemp/POI/Duo/Per/Informative/Pro)
10:30am	IB (Impromptu/DI/ADS/CA/Poetry)
12:00pm	Extemp Draw
12:30pm	IIA
2:00pm	IIB
3:15pm	Extemp Draw
3:30pm	Finals A
5:00pm	Finals B
6:30pm	Awards

Sunday, October 8, 2017- George Mason Portion

8:00am - 8:30am	Registration in Robinson Hall B lobby (facing the Mason Pond Parking Deck)
8:30am	Extemp Draw
9:00am	IA (Extemp/POI/Duo/Per/Informative/Pro)
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ENTRY INFORMATION

1. There is no limit on team entries in any event.
2. Students may enter a maximum of 3 events per bracket; 2 duos count as 2 events.
- 3. The deadline for entry is Tuesday, Oct. 3rd at 5pm EST.**
4. Entry fees are \$8 per event slot.
5. Please provide a qualified judge for every seven event slots.
6. Hired judges are available at \$10 per uncovered slot.
7. Drop fees are original entry fee plus \$10 penalty after entry deadline plus \$20 if on Saturday or Sunday.
8. Dropped judges after the entry deadline will each be assessed a \$100 fee in addition to standard judge fees.
9. To register for BOTH the **George Mason** portion and the **James Madison** portion, please go to www.speechwire.com, scroll down to "Fall VA is for Lovers-GMU" and "Fall VA is for Lovers-JMU," request a password (if you don't already have one) and submit your entry SEPARATELY FOR EACH HALF. You should receive by email your password information and can then enter your students and judges at the Speechwire website. You will receive a confirmation email detailing EACH HALF OF your entry at 6pm on 10/4/2017. Please be sure to check the entries you submitted and immediately correct any errors directly at the Speechwire website.

COMPETITION AND AWARDS

1. Both tournaments will offer 2 rounds of preliminary competition and a final round.
2. Any event with more than 50 entries competing in both preliminary rounds will feature a semifinal round.
3. We will offer an award for the top six entries in each individual event (two awards for duos).
4. The top five individual sweeps winners will each receive an award (students must be entered in four events to be eligible).
5. The top five schools will each receive an award.
6. A swing sweepstakes award will be presented to the top overall student sweeps winner for both halves and the top overall school sweeps winner for both halves.
7. We will use AFA-style rules and tabulation.
8. Both halves will feature a cross-examination period in the extemporaneous speaking final.

We hope you will join us for what will surely be a fun and competitive event! See you in October!

Sincerely,

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