

Show Announcer Handbook

2015 SEASON

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The Announcer's responsibilities are to know what will be said and help maintain the flow of the show. Make every attempt to introduce each unit in the same manner. It is our goal to make the delivery the same at all NWPA contests. All announcements should be prepared and scheduled for delivery. Be sure you are familiar with the NWPA contest procedure. This should not be your first time attending a NWPA show, is so please let us know so we can help guide you. You are an important representative of NWPA's image and should understand our expectations and standards.

Please do not improvise during the course of the contest.

Welcome

“Good (morning, afternoon or evening) everyone and welcome to the (Name of the competition) sanctioned by Northwest Pageantry Association and sponsored by (Name of Sponsor). We are very fortunate to have several fine units in competition and exhibition (today/tonight).”

General Announcements (@ Opening and Return from Breaks)

Ladies and Gentlemen we have several rules and regulations within NWPAA Winterguard that must be adhered to at all times while in or around the competition area. *(Please speak clearly when announcing these rules.)*

This is a non-smoking campus. Therefore we ask that you refrain from smoking while on or around the campus.

The use of flash photography is prohibited while a unit is performing. Flash photography can temporarily blind a performer and cause unnecessary injury to the performer as well as others. Please turn the flash to the off position while taking pictures during a performance.

No videotaping of any unit is allowed per copyright laws.

We would ask that you do not move around in the stands while a group is performing. This causes a distraction to the performers, spectators and judges.

For safety reasons the aisles of the bleachers must stay clear.

In consideration of performers and those around you, please silence your cell phones and pagers.

We would ask performers to sit in the upstairs bleachers or on the outside edges.

Finally we would ask that you do not litter while on campus. Trash receptacles are located throughout the campus. We would ask that you use them

Thank you for your continued cooperation

*Concession stand and Souvenir Booth Announcements (Every 15 minutes – about 2 groups)

We would like to remind you to visit our concession stand and souvenir booths located in the lobby.

Photos of this year’s NWPA Competitions are available from “Open Your Eyes Photography” at <http://store.openyour.is/>. *(They may not be at the first shows of the year.)*

*NWPA Championships (Every 30 Minutes – about 4 groups)

NWPA will be hosting a Colorguard Championships on Saturday, March 28th 2015 at Cascade High School. Don’t miss this fantastic pageantry arts event.

For more information regarding the NWPA Championships. Please go to our website at www.NorthwestPageantry.org or for more information regarding sponsorship of the NWPA Championships, please go to www.NorthwestPageantry.org or contact a NWPA Board Member.

*Sponsor and Local Patron Recognition (Every 45 Minutes – about 6 groups)

“Ladies and Gentleman, NWPA and (Sponsoring organization) would like to thank the following sponsors for their continuing support: *(Announce List given from show host)*

*Visit us at future NWPA events (Every 30 Minutes – about 4 groups)

Visit us again at future NWPA competitions.

February 7	Bainbridge High School
February 21	Ingraham High School
February 28	?, sponsored by Rhapsody Winter Guard
March 14	Glencoe High School

March 21 Kamiak High School

March 28 NWPA Championships, sponsored by Rhapsody Winter Guard

Preparing for Retreat

We would ask that all guards proceed to the (Equipment Warm-up / Warm-up A) at this time for retreat.

Closing Announcements

Announce the name of each guard as they enter the gym

After all guards have entered and are set:

Let's have a big round of applause for everyone who performed today.

We'd like to thank all of you for coming and supporting all the members of the guards and our show.

Present the awards:

Once more a big thanks to all of you for coming and one more round of applause for all of the performers.

Please join us at our next show on _____ at _____.

When all scores are announced, please thank everyone for coming and please visit us online at www.NorthwestPageantry.org.

Before _____:

For safety reasons, there can be no spectators in the front row of bleachers.

As _____ performs on a national basis they have asked that their performance not be videotaped and would ask each of you to please put your cameras away at this time.

When indicated by NWPA Contest Director

Critique sign-ups are available at the tabulation table