

MQA QIRAATH, PUBLIC SPEAKING & HIFDH COMPETITION 2016

Assalamu Alaikum Parents,

We are pleased to announce Melbourne Quran Academy's annual competition will be held in September 2016. Please note, this year's competition will consist of two events:

1. Competition Day
2. Awards Night

COMPETITION DAY

Date: 3rd September 2016

Time: 1.45pm onwards

Location: Brandon Park Community Centre
649 Ferntree Gully Road,
Glen Waverley

AWARDS NIGHT

Date: 17th September 2016

Time: 5pm onwards

Location: John Pandazopoulos Hall
78 Power Road,
Doveton, 3177

All participants are required to attend both events. Competition winners will be announced at the awards night and selected participants may be asked to take the stage again.

The awards night will conclude with dinner Insha Allah.

COMPETITION CATEGORIES AND JUDGES

There will be three categories of competition including:

- **Qiraath-** Participants are required to read selected passages from the Quran (Quran will be permitted on stage with them). Please see below for a list of Surahs specified according to age group.
- **Hifdh-** Participants are required to memorise selected passages from the Quran and read these from memory on stage (Quran will not be permitted on stage with them) . Please see below for a list of Surahs specified according to age group.
- **Public speaking** – Participants will be required to prepare a speech based on the specified category for their selected age group. Please note, participants can only choose from the topics that have been selected for their age group.

REGISTRATION

Registration can be done via 3 methods.

1. On the website www.mqa.org.au
2. Emailing the completed application form (on PDF) to info@mqa.org.au
3. Handing over a printed copy of the completed application form to 1 of the Judges.

The Judges for the Qirath and Hifdh competition (Males and Females) are be as follows: -

- Hfz/Sheikh Majdi
- Hfz Abdul Wahab Yunus
- Hfz Azam Kassim
- Hfz Fadhil Fachni
- Moulana Uzaiyr Zubairali
- Sheikh/Hafiz Jamali

The Judges for the Public Speaking Competition :-

Female Judges

- TBA

Male Judges

- TBA

QIRAATH CONTEST

This contest will consist of 3 age categories and the open group:

QIRATH

- A) 4 to 7 years
- B) 8 to 11 years
- C) 12 and above

JUDGING CRITERIA (OUT OF 10):

Pronunciation – (Makhraj)	4
Tune/Voice-	3
Tajweed	3
Total	<u>10</u>

- Surah will be given to Qiraath participants.
- Different surahs will be given to each age category.
- There will be a time limit of 5-7 Minutes per candidate
- Participants are required to bring their own Quran

Surah's for each category: -

- A) 4-7 years – Surah Al Fajr
- B) 8-11 years – Surah Yaseen
- C) 12 and above – Whole Quran (will be asked to read from anywhere in the quran)

HIFDH (MEMORISATION) CONTEST

This contest will consist of 3 age categories and the open group:

- A) 4 to 7 years
- B) 8 to 11 years
- C) 12 and above

JUDGING CRITERIA (OUT OF 10):

Memorisation-	4
Tune/Voice-	3
Tajweed	3
Total	<u>10</u>

- Surah will be given to Hifdh participants.
- Different surahs will be given to each age category.
- There will be a time limit of 7 Minutes per candidate
- Participants are required to bring their own Quran
- **Judges will choose** any surah from the Surahs listed below

Surah's for each category :-

- A) 4-7 years – Surah Al Qariyah to Nas
- B) 8 to 11 years – Surah Al Fajr to Al Aadiyath
- C) 12 years and above – The following surahs
 - i. Surah Mulk
 - ii. Surah Waqiah
 - iii. Surah Sajda
 - iv. Surah Rahman (They will be tested from any of these surahs, ie all these surahs need to be memorized)

PUBLIC SPEAKING CONTEST

This contest will consist of 3 age categories and the open group:

- A) 4 – 7 Years
- B) 8-11 Years
- C) 12 and above

- 3 topics on Islam will be provided per age group (Excluding the the 4-7 Age group)
- Participants are to choose 1 topic to speak on
- Time duration will be of 4 minutes maximum for each participant.
- The judging will take into account the following
 - Presentation
 - Clarity
 - Expression
 - Language
 - Information.

RULES

- All participants are required to be in Islamic attire. For males, this includes a prayer cap, and for females, a scarf.
- The decision of the judges is final
- All participants should be on time
- Timing for each participant will be strictly observed
- Participants have to **choose 1 topic** from the topics listed below

Topics for each category: -

A) 4-7 Years–

- Choose a hadith and explain the hadith in English, Arabic and its significance.

B) 8 to 11 years –

- The Joys of Paradise
- Signs of Qiyamah
- The life of Prophet Sulaiman A.S (Prophet Solomon) PBUH

C) 12 and above –

- The Challenges faced by our youth in Modern society and how to combat these challenges
- The significance of the rituals of Hajj
- Social Media – Constructive or Destructive to Islam