Announcement of Virtual State Finals, 2020

As the COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve, the health and wellness of all Senior Games participants, staff and volunteers remain our absolute, top priority.

In applying the mandates set forth by National, State and Local public health officials, we recognize fully that State Finals brings together thousands of participants and hundreds of volunteers from all over the state to central locations.

Given the guidelines on large gatherings of people from various geographic areas set forth by the Centers for Disease Control (CDC), the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS), the Governor’s Office and local public health officials, there will be no in-person State Finals activities for 2020. This was a difficult decision, as we want to experience in-person activities and we know you do as well, but the health and safety of everyone is the most important factor.

However, NCSG will be convening the annual "Celebration of the Human Spirit" through virtual State Finals! There will be a variety of opportunities to continue the “fun, fitness, fellowship and friends” that is Senior Games State Finals. This virtual event will include visits with competitors with whom you connect each year, trainings, competitions and even celebrity guests! Registration and all details will be available by August 1st for all qualified athletes and SilverArtists for this exciting, one-of-a-kind opportunity!

A reminder that State Finals qualification for participants involves registration for a 2020 Local Senior Games. For Solo Performers, Visual, Heritage and Literary SilverArtists, qualification also includes being the "winners" from a Local Games. Those “winners” are: Solo Performing-Best- in-Show, Visual and Heritage 1st-3rd place, and Literary 1st-2nd place.

NCSG will send you information as soon as all the details for this one-of-a-kind virtual event are available. Special equipment and computer skills will not be required! We just want you to keep staying healthy!

Participants interested in National Senior Games in 2021 should refer to the statement from the NSGA on the National Senior Games page of the website here: https://www.ncseniorgames.org/national-senior-games

Since we will not hold in-person Games, this is the statement that applies to NC athletes "a state qualifying senior games is UNABLE to conduct Games or specific sports/events."

We look forward to seeing you at our virtual “Celebration” and other virtual activities very soon. Until then, stay safe and keep practicing!

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