



UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
GOVERNMENT

Rangoli

ARTICLE I - ESTABLISHMENT

We the students, faculty, and staff of the University of Rochester hereby establish Rochester Rangoli of the University of Rochester and enact this constitution for its governance. Failure to follow this constitution could result in penalties or revocation of Students' Association recognition of this organization.

ARTICLE II - MISSION STATEMENT

Rochester Rangoli, a Bollywood performance group, strives to explore the culture of South Asian countries through dance. This all-embracing dance form bridges the gap between Eastern and Western styles that accompanies modern Bollywood music. We hope to provide our members with an inclusive and judgment-free environment where students of all levels of experience can learn Bollywood dance segments. Our group aims to cater to the busy schedules of most UR students by allowing flexibility and fun study breaks.

ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP

SECTION ONE - MEMBERSHIP

- A. Eligibility - All Students' Association (SA) members shall be eligible for membership. An SA Member is a University of Rochester undergraduate of the College who has paid their SA activities fee. All members and associate members shall be listed on the organization's Campus Community Connection site. Membership is automatically renewed yearly unless the member graduates, requests to cancel their membership, or fails to meet membership requirements.
- B. Definition of active member - To be an active member, a person must learn at least one piece a semester (attending at least $\frac{2}{3}$ of the practices for this piece). They must also attend the end of semester showcase.
- C. Definition of associate member - All University of Rochester faculty, staff, graduate students and Eastman students shall be eligible for associate membership but not eligible to hold an officer position. Graduate students, faculty, and staff are not eligible to perform, compete, nor travel as part of a college student organization. Associate members for Rangoli include: members who participate in our small groups but not our main sets, and/or members who attend practices to learn but not perform with us.

ARTICLE IV - MEETINGS AND VOTING

SECTION ONE - QUORUM

- A. A meeting shall be valid if a quorum is present. Quorum is defined as ½ of the active membership plus three officers.

SECTION TWO - VOTING

- A. Voting on any issue shall be official only if the meeting is valid.
- B. All members shall have equal voting power.
- C. Procedure – All decisions shall be arrived at by simple majority using a hand vote unless otherwise specified by the presiding officer. The President shall only vote to break a tie.

ARTICLE V - OFFICERS AND QUALIFICATIONS

SECTION ONE - OFFICER POSITIONS

- A. The following positions are held within the executive board: 2 Co-Presidents, Captain, Secretary, Public Relations, Team Builder, and Business Manager
 - a. 2 Co-Presidents: must be a member for one year, unless no one is qualified.
 - b. Captain: must be a member for one year, unless no one is qualified.
 - c. Secretary: must be a member for a semester, unless no one is qualified.
 - d. Public Relations: must be a member for a semester, unless no one is qualified.
 - e. Team Builder: must be a member for a semester, unless no one is qualified.
 - f. Business Manager: must be a member for a semester, unless no one is qualified.

SECTION TWO - DUTIES OF OFFICERS

- A. All officers shall be members of the Students' Association.
- B. All officers shall promote active recruitment of new members.
- C. All officers shall enforce this constitution.
- D. All officers shall be responsible for knowing the sections of the Students' Association constitution and bylaws that apply to this organization.
- E. The Co-Presidents shall preside over the meetings and shall maintain organization within the club, communicate with other officers and delegate duties to maintain a functioning club that fulfills the purposes set forth above. They will also be responsible for important communication that pertains to e-board or gratitude to other organizations for performances. They will also be in charge of scheduling practices and the end-of-semester showcase. They will also be in charge of making VEMS reservations for practices and showcases. They will also be responsible for submitting reflections on the CCC page.
 - a. The Co-Presidents shall be responsible for maintaining a current copy of this constitution open to inspection by all members of this organization, Senators, and all members of the Students' Association.
- F. The Captain shall be responsible for coordinating with the Co-Presidents and the other executive board members to organize the choreography for the semester. They will be responsible for organizing performance opportunities and for organizing the necessary costumes for these opportunities.
- G. The Business Manager shall be responsible for maintaining all finances and keep

detailed records of all transactions. They also will manage the money that the organization may receive and order the costumes required for the team. They will also be responsible for coordinating with the Secretary, Team Builder, and Public Relations chair to organize fundraisers.

- H. The Secretary will take attendance at all meetings, tally votes, keep an accurate list of organization members and take and maintain meeting minutes. They will also be in charge of organizing co-sponsorships. They will also be responsible for sending out email and Slack communications to general members regarding practice and performance schedules. They will also be responsible for coordinating with the Business Manager, Team Builder, and Public Relations chair to organize fundraisers.
- I. The Team Builder is responsible for organizing bonding activities with the members and collecting the videos at the end of each practice and uploading them. Additionally, they will be responsible for maintaining the alumni database and growing the Rangoli network. They will also be responsible for coordinating with the Secretary, Business Manager, and Public Relations chair to organize fundraisers.
- J. The Public Relations chair is responsible for updating the CCC page, managing social media accounts, designing merchandise, creating posters, and advertising any future performances and practices. They will be in charge of creating any necessary media for showcases and promotional content for social media pages. They will also be responsible for coordinating with the Secretary, Team Builder, and Business Manager to organize fundraisers.

SECTION THREE - NOMINATIONS AND ELECTIONS

- A. Nomination and Elections Procedure - Any active member will be allowed to run for a position on the Executive Board provided that they meet the aforementioned requirements. All of the existing Executive Board members have a vote for the incoming Executive Board.
- B. Term of Office - Officers will be required to maintain their position for the next upcoming academic year once elected. Transitions will occur in the month of April.
- C. Timing of Elections - Elections for Executive Board will occur at least one week before the first day of April, giving new Executive Board members the month of April to shadow and transition.

SECTION FOUR - VACANCIES, RESIGNATIONS, AND REMOVALS

- A. At the first valid meeting following a vacancy of an office, the position is to be filled by the same manner described in *Article V, Section Three*.
- B. A vote of no confidence is a vote to remove an officer. Such a vote shall require a $\frac{2}{3}$ majority of the entire active membership to pass. Any member of the organization may call for a vote of no confidence.
- C. If a vote of no confidence on any officer is to take place, they must be notified one week in advance.
- D. An office shall be declared vacant as the result of a vote of no confidence.

ARTICLE VI - RESOURCES

SECTION ONE - RESOURCES

A. Rochester Rangoli of the University of Rochester will abide by their Resource Agreement.

ARTICLE VII - HAZING POLICY

Hazing, defined as the harassment of one individual by another individual or organization, is not permitted by Rochester Rangoli. Behavior prohibited under this rule includes actions threatening substantial risk of physical or mental injury; actions exposing the individual to distressing, repulsive, or alarming situations or sensations; forced consumption of alcohol or drugs; actions in the form of social pressure which might cause harm to an individual.

ARTICLE VIII - NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

Rochester Rangoli abides by the nondiscrimination policy of the University of Rochester.

 3/30/23
Signature of Confirmation Date
Suchi Mehta
Co-President, Rochester Rangoli

 3/30/23
Signature of Confirmation Date
Rishika Chikoti
Co-President, Rochester Rangoli

 4/10/2023
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