



UNIVERSITY of ROCHESTER
STUDENTS' ASSOCIATION
GOVERNMENT

Rochester 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 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 judgement-free environment where students of all levels of experience can learn Bollywood dance segments. Our group aims to cater to busy schedules of most UR students by allowing flexibility and fun study breaks. We have four practices each week, all spanning an hour in length, in preparation for a showcase at the end of each month.

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 University of Rochester faculty, staff, graduate students and Eastman students shall be eligible for membership. All 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 attend at least one, 1 hour practice a week. This will ensure that they learn one song out of four possible segments. They must also attend the end of month mini showcase.
- C. Definition of associate member - As an organization, we do not intend to have associate members. All members who want to be active must attend at least one, 1 hour practice a week.

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: Presidents, Secretary, Public Relations, Team Builder, and Business Manager
 - a. Presidents: must be a member for one year
 - b. Secretary: must be a member for a semester
 - c. Public Relations: must be a member for a semester
 - d. Team Builder: must be a member for a semester
- B. Business manager must be a member for a semester

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 emails that pertain to e-board or gratitude to other organizations for performances.
 - 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 Business Manager shall be responsible for maintaining all finances and keep detailed records of all transactions. They also will manage the performances scheduled for the organization and managing the money that the organization may receive.
- G. The Secretary will take roll call 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 scheduling practices and organizing co-sponsorships.
- H. The Team Builder is responsible for organizing the End of Semester showcases, organizing bonding activities with the members and collecting the videos at the end of each practice and uploading them.
- I. The Public Relations chair is responsible for submitting reflections on the CCC page, updating the CCC page, managing social media accounts, designing merchandise, creating posters, and advertising any future performances.

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. At least $\frac{2}{3}$ of all the existing members must be present at elections to vote for the new 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 within the first 2 weeks of April.

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.

SECTION FIVE - PROVISIONS OF ADVISOR(S)

- A. General Advising.

ARTICLE VI - FINANCES

SECTION ONE - Students' Association members shall receive priority at SA-funded events conducted by this organization.

SECTION TWO - FUNDING

- A. Rochester Rangoli shall be eligible for SA funding.
 - a. Rochester Rangoli shall bank with the Students' Association.

ARTICLE VII - CLASSIFICATION

SECTION ONE - Rochester Rangoli shall be classified as a Fine Arts and Performance Group.

ARTICLE VIII - ADOPTION OF THE CONSTITUTION

SECTION ONE - Two-thirds of the entire active membership must approve the constitution.

SECTION TWO - This constitution will be ratified upon the signature of the Student Organization Administration & Review Committee and approval of the Senate.

SECTION THREE - This constitution shall not conflict with the Students' Association Constitution or Bylaws.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENTS

Adoption and ratification of amendments to this constitution shall follow the same procedure as adoption of the entire constitution.

ARTICLE X - BYLAWS

SECTION ONE - At least a 2/3 majority of the active membership must approve the bylaws and any amendments.

SECTION TWO - Bylaws should not conflict with this constitution or the SA Constitution or Bylaws.

ARTICLE XI - HAZING POLICY

Hazing, defined as the harassment of one individual by another individual or organization, is not permitted by the 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 XII - NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

The Rochester Rangoli of the University of Rochester does not discriminate against any individual or organization of individuals on the basis of age, color, disability, domestic violence status, ethnicity, gender identity or expression, genetic information, marital status, military/veteran status, national origin, race, religion/creed, sex, sexual orientation or any other status protected by law.



Signature of Confirmation
Pratyusha Tadepalli
President, Rochester Rangoli

3/3/19

Date



Signature of Approval
Criswell Lavery
Chair, Student Organization Administration & Review Committee

2/22/19

Date