



## International Circus Festival “Golden Karl- 2012”

### REGULATION

Continuing developing good traditions of the circus, promoting exchange between artists in Latvia, Europe and the rest of the world, one of the oldest circuses in the Europe, Riga Circus, which has more than 120 years experience in organizing circus performances in January 2012, invites artists from all around the world to participate in the International Circus Festival “Golden Karl- 2012”.

#### The Festival Dates:

- **Entering Latvia (Riga Circus) - from January 12<sup>th</sup> ;**
- **The competition days in Riga Circus – 13- 15<sup>rd</sup> . January;**
- **Departure from Riga Circus till 16<sup>th</sup> January.**

The Festival is organized by the Riga Circus and the Society “Association of Circus Artists”. To plane and organize the Festival, is being set up special organizing committee.

The Festival organizers set up a special, competent International Circus Festival “Golden Karl- 2012” jury, which consists of eminent personalities in the cultrual field.

President of the Jury- Director of the Riga Circus Lolita Lipinska.

#### CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION:

No age limit to participate in International Circus Festival “Golden Karl- 2012”. The festival is open for participants with the animal performances. Contestants will be selected by a special committee. *[Committee members are prohibited to apply their students for the festival to avoid conflicts of interest.]*

#### The following set of criteria will be assessed:

- Technical performance
- Presentation and personal charisma
- Idea and innovation of the performance

#### FESTIVAL AWARDS

- GRAND PRIX;
- 3 main nominations - Gold Karl; Silver Karl and Bronze Karl.

#### Additional conditions:

- Upon requests, the Riga Circus prepare all required documents for participants entry into the Latvia.
- The festival participants bear the costs of entry and exit (visas, travel expenses, including transportation of property).
- The festival organizers cover accommodation, meals and transportation costs in Riga for the festival day's for the participants (except residents of Riga).
- During the festival, the international circus contest with presence of audience is held. [Organization committee have the rights to set the entrance fee, adjust the program as necessary, to broadcast and record performance of the artists in Latvia. Participants have to observe the performance order, prepare necessary equipment for their performance and look after their animals.
- During the festival it is forbidden for its artists to give independent shows and receive money for it.

Please send your applications for the International Circus Festival "Golden Karl-2012" along with DVD recording, which contains your circus performance to the following address:

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