



MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY

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TO: All Students

DATE: 15th September 2026

FROM: Chairperson, Cultural Week Organising Committee

SUBJECT: CALL FOR ACTIVITY SUBMISSIONS - CULTURAL WEEK 2026

The Cultural Week Organizing Committee invites all students to submit proposals for performances and activities to be featured during this year's Cultural Week, running from **12th October to 16th October 2025** at the University Conference Hall and Ole Karei Grounds.

Categories Open for Submission:

1. **Cultural Folk Songs & Dances** - showcasing Kenya's ethnic diversity, including Maa, Nilotic, Bantu and Cushitic communities.
2. **Traditional Instrumental Performances** - using indigenous instruments such as the *nyatiti*, *orutu*, *isukuti* drums, *kayamba*, *chapuo*, and Maasai/Samburu ceremonial horns.
3. **Solo Performances** - individual students performing traditional singing, poetry, or spoken word.
4. **Modern Dance Troupes** - Afrobeats, Genge, Gengetone-inspired fusion, and contemporary reinterpretations of traditional dance styles
5. **Religious/Sacred Performances** - Catholic, Seventh-Day Adventist (SDA), Muslim, Christian Union, Hindu, and other registered faith-based student groups
6. **Food Festival** - cooking demonstrations and display of traditional Kenyan dishes (ugali, mursik, mukimo, nyoyo, matoke, githeri, nyama choma, omena, and regional delicacies). Communities submitting under the **Food Festival** category must additionally provide a **full list of food items to be prepared/displayed, each with its budget cost**, to allow the committee to plan procurement and logistics accordingly.
7. **Traditional Sports & Games** - *bao*, *ajua*, traditional wrestling, stick demonstrations, and tug-of-war
8. **Athletics Showcase** - short races, relay events, or exhibition runs celebrating Kenya's running heritage
9. **Art & Craft Exhibitions** - Maasai/Samburu beadwork, Kamba wood carving, coastal basketry (*kiondo*), traditional attire and jewelry displays, and contemporary Kenyan art
10. **Photography Exhibition** - student photography capturing Kenyan cultural heritage, landscapes, and community life
11. **Beauty Pageantry** - Mr. & Miss Maasai Mara University, Mr. & Miss Culture and Miss Curvy.
12. **Oral Literature & Storytelling** - folklore, proverbs, riddles, and narrations in Kiswahili, Sheng, and local mother tongues

13. **Traditional Fashion & Attire Showcase** - runway-style display of traditional Kenyan clothing, headgear, and accessories by community/region
14. **Cultural Drama & Skits** - short theatrical performances on Kenyan folklore, history, or themes of unity and national cohesion
15. **Any other activity not captured above.**

Submission Requirements:

- Name of group/individual and community/culture represented
- Type of activity (song, dance, exhibition, etc.)
- Number of participants
- Space, equipment, sound, or costume requirements
- Contact person's name and phone/email
- Preferred day (12th, 13th, 14th, 15th or 16th October 2026)

Deadline for Submission: (Thursday, 17th September 2026)

Where to Submit:

All proposals should be submitted to the **CS Sports, Entertainment, and Gender - Student Leader's Office, Ole Karei Complex. Contact: 0740541847**

All submissions will be reviewed and slotted into the final programme by the Cultural Week Organizing Committee. Early submission is encouraged as performance slots are limited, especially for solo, folk song/dance, and food festival categories.

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CHAIRPERSON, CULTURAL WEEK ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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