Conditions of membership to the Saori Leaders Committee

NPO SAORI-HIROBA Board of SAORI Leader's Committee

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"SAORI Leader's Committee" (SARICO) strives to appreciate SAORI weaving created artistically from the inspiration from everyday life and to promote the expansion of groups of Saori members who enjoy free expression through SAORI weaving. SARICO is a group made up of instructors of SAORI weaving who aim to improve other SAORI instructors experience, to promote friendship and better communication between them.

If you agree with the purpose of the group and you have ambition to flourish as a SAORI instructor, please join us.

The main projects of SAORI Leader's Committee

- ★Research and spread the experience of SAORI weaving
 - ①To hold Seminars for SAORI members
 - 2 To hold 'SAORI weaving for Education' Conferences
 - ③To hold SAORI exhibitions
 - **4** To dispatch SAORI instructors to groups needing assistance.
 - ⑤To encourage SAORI Kai group members.
- ★Collect and distribute information of SAORI
 - ①Issue a monthly "SAORI report" ②publish manuals, reports and so on
- ★Interchange between SAORI and VSA or WAC (Wonderful Ageing Club) etc.
- ★Create other projects to realise the SAORI Leader's Committee's purpose.

1. How to apply

You need to hand in these documents and your SAORI works.

- 1. Application form with the signature of the SARICO referee.
- **2.** A reference letter from the member of SARICO.
 - * The SARICO referee needs to follow up after the applicant joins the SARICO.
- 3. An essay: theme "What SAORI weaving is" (about 2,000 words)
 - *A translation in Japanese is needed. A translation fee is needed if you ask for translation by NPO SAORI-HIROBA
- **4.** 10 woven pieces for examination
 - *After examination, the woven works are returned to you. Please put a tag with your name and a title of work on it. Please write on the tag which is your most favorite work.
 - ①An Ara-Ara work
 - (A work with loose weave. It should have very rough fabric woven by a loose warp and weft.)
 - ② A scarf with the themes "A Wild but Elegant, Showy but Sober"

- ③ A Basic Skill Tapestry (It must have 10 basic techniques included, Interlock Weaving, Turned Lock, Two-color Interlock, Three-color Interlock, Weaving with a Comb, Making Fringe on the selvage, Looping, Making a window, Float weaving and Knotting) *pp. 56-59, "SAORI self-discovery through Free Weaving"
- 4 A one-piece dress
- (5) A coat
- 6 A pair of trousers
- (7) A blouse
- A work by pulling the warp yarn (e.g. Skirt by pulling yarns, pp. 70-71 "SAORI self-discovery through Free Weaving")
- A work by fastening the weft yarn (e.g. Necktie, p.91, "SAORI self-discovery through Free Weaving")
- ① A Tapestry
- *Please sew the clothing yourself.(By hand or by sewing machine)
- 5. Photographs

5 photographs of yourself in SAORI clothing which you wear in everyday life.

6. Examination fee JPY 15,000

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*You can also pay by PayPal (Paypal transaction is needed.) Please contact to: madoka@saori.co.jp

2. Application period

- ① From 15th to 28th February
- ② From 18th to 31st August

3. Evaluation results

Approximately 1 week after the Board of Councilors Conference, we will send you the evaluation results by airmail from Japan. If you are approved by a member of SAORI Leader's Committee, you can receive the membership certificate at the SAORI Leader's Committee annual festival or The NPO SAORI-HIROBA general meeting.

4. Membership fee

Please pay an enrollment fee and annual membership fee, if you have been approved by a member of the SAORI Leader's Committee.

- ① Enrollment fee: JPY 25,000
- ②Annual membership fee: JPY 5,000

(If you are approved in October, you will need to pay only JPY 2,500 in the first year.)