



# ODYSSEY OF THE MIND 2017-18 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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For new memberships or renewals, complete this form and return it with a check, purchase order, or credit card information below. Check one: Divisions I, II, and III:

- Individual school: Must register in the school name. May enter one team per problem per division in competition.
- Two or more schools: Must share the same principal to be under the same membership. Use school district name on application. May enter one team per problem per division in competition.
- Home-schooled students: Must include at least four home-schooled students. May also include up to three members from one school. May enter one team per problem per division in competition.
- Community Group: May enter one team per problem per division in competition. May not be an organization established solely for the purpose of participating in Odyssey of the Mind. Please submit by-laws if this is a new membership.

**Division IV:** All teams must have a majority of members who are high school graduates and registered for at least one class at a college or university. Other team members must be enrolled in one or more classes accredited by a college or university. They do not have to attend the same institution. May enter one team per problem. May proceed directly to World Finals.

Membership name \_\_\_\_\_ Membership number (for renewal, if known) \_\_\_\_\_  
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\*Each individual membership costs \$135, but you will receive discounts if you purchase more than one membership. For each membership purchased, you get five competitive long-term problems, one primary problem, one copy of the Program Guide, and more!

Individual 2017-18 Odyssey of the Mind Membership @ \$135 .....  
 Additional membership(s) for the same school or community group @ \$100 .....  
 6-10 memberships for the same school district (must register at the same time) @ \$120 .....  
 11 or more memberships from the same school district (registered at the same time) @ \$100 .....

### ODYSSEY OF THE MIND SUPPORT MATERIALS

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\*\* These are books with a collection of long-term and/or spontaneous problems from past years.

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Hey Teams,  
Here's to a new year of teamwork,  
fun, and creativity! Best of luck.  
Your friend,  
**OMER**

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## RANATRA FUSCA AWARDS

**Horizon Elementary School, Johnston, IA** *Prob. 1, Div. I*  
There was no escaping this team's outstanding creativity and astounding engineering! They had an entire intricate system of tracks for their vehicles with a series of pressure sensitive pads that started a cascade of motors and springs. This changed the layout of the track, allowing the vehicle to weave and dodge through the get-away zone. The team's effort, dedication, and risk-taking were evident to the judges through both the inspection of the craftsmanship and the discussion with the team.

**Geneseo Central Sch, Geneseo, NY** *Prob. 1, Div. III*  
This team wowed the judges with the unexpected ways it combined science and engineering with dramatic panache. Its parking garage automatically lowered the trio of vehicles, each with a unique means of travel. A tortoise walked using fully articulated legs and a chameleon moved by grabbing a track with its tongue while changing color to blend in with the background. Finally, a vehicle used an electrically-controlled pneumatic piston to leap off the end of a track, flipping 360 degrees to avoid being caught before righting itself and continuing its trip.

**Raffles Girls Secondary School, Singapore** *Prob. 2, Div. II*  
This team literally stretched bottle parts farther than these judges had ever seen! Some examples include beautiful flowers made from clear egg cartons, realistic roses made from shards of plastic bottles—curled by candlelight, a soccer ball made of twisted plastic rope, and a lava lamp made by gluing bottles together so that the creation could hold liquid. The team transformed every bottle into something totally new and unexpected. It treated plastic as a raw material that barely resembled its original form!

**Stow Isierski Wyobraznik, Warszawa, Poland** *Prob. 3, Div. II*  
All the elements of the team's solution—backdrops, furniture, artwork and costumes—were made from over 120,000 individually rolled newspapers. This team dazzled the judges with its intricacy by spending over seven months rolling newspaper into 4–12" sticks and creatively weaving together its stage set and props. Every inch of the stage was a piece of current newsprint art that could be hung in a museum. The team

even collected newspapers from the actual places its time travelers went—Russia and the Netherlands. They even skillfully made their required art from this amazing medium.

**South Mecklenburg HS, Charlotte, NC** *Problem 3, Division III*  
A 15-foot tall haunted house transformed into a raven with a 24! wingspan, an old-fashioned dress opened to reveal a working puppet theatre in its skirt, and an anthropomorphic shadow followed an imposing Edgar Allan OMER. The team incorporated all of Poe's greatest works into its beautiful, multi-functional, and downright scary sets, costumes, and props. The effect was frighteningly good – you could say it was Poe-fect Style!

**Algood Middle School, Algood TN** *Problem 4, Division II*  
This team took paint by numbers and repurposing to a new artistic level. During an entertaining game show, contestants played *Operation* on a life-sized replica made out of milk cartons – it even buzzed with a doorbell attached to a red light bulb! Another fascinating prop was an OMER face mosaic. When the structure broke, members picked up the mosaic to reveal hundreds of crayons, that when precisely assembled, came together to form OMER's face. In a flash, one performer yanked the cardboard out of place and the tubes came thundering down, spilling a colorful disarray on the floor as the audience audibly gasped.

**Qingdao Taiping Rd. Pri. Sch, Qingdao, China** *Prob. 4, Div. II*  
This team embodied the spirit of the problem using intricate props, dazzling costumes, body language, and a strong foundation of teamwork to present a solution executed with clean precision. Opening with a golden bear destroying the gate to a garden, members worked together to assemble a fruit wall. They depended on teamwork to construct a precisely intricate wall in eight minutes, built a rich backdrop with moving boats and whirling gadgets, created an impressive structure, and captivated the audience with movement and dance to creatively communicate their story of neighborly harmony.



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Odyssey of the Mind celebrated its 38<sup>th</sup> annual World Finals at Michigan State University in May. Competitors brought creativity, camaraderie, and excitement to MSU's campus. Audiences watched 833 winning teams present creative performances they developed using their extraordinary ideas and hard work.

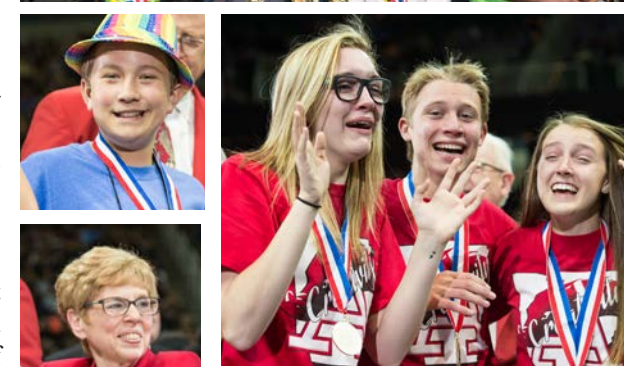
Teams traveled across the U.S. and from 15 other countries including China, Italy, Mexico, India, and Switzerland. While World Finals is a competitive event, it also proves that people from different nations share creative interests and goals.

With 470 volunteer officials and over 2,500 coaches, this event proved that generosity and goodwill is alive and well. These selfless individuals worked hard all year culminating at World Finals to provide a great experience for all. Judges, coaches, and team members from around the world really come together as a great big, worldwide family!

Also giving back were Mexico's Hope Heroes. This year's Odyssey Angels group used their creativity to redesign games to make them accessible to their neighbors in retirement homes.

NASA was also back with its fun classroom activities, E-Theatre, and an exhibit at the Creativity Festival that drew in lots of participants. This year, the recipient for the Wayne Kehrl Memorial Scholarship Fund, was awarded to Lydia Freehafer. Joy Kurtz (pictured right) received Odyssey's Spirit Award for her selfless service to Odyssey teams and The Second City from Chicago accepted the Creativity Award for its innovative teachings on improv comedy and community outreach.

It is important to remember that the teams that participated in World Finals represented the thousands of teams that performed in Odyssey of the Mind throughout the year. It is true that every team that solved a problem this year truly is a winner.



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**Catch Us If You Can • Div I**

- 1st WESLEY CHAPEL ELE SCH A Wesley Chapel, FL
- 2nd CAOQUANGBIAO PRIMARY SCH CH
- 3rd QINGDAO FUZHOU RD PRI SCH CH
- 4th ESS RUMIA RUMIA, PD
- 5th WESTWOOD SCHOOL DALTON, GA
- 6th DURHAM INT SCH SOUTHLAKE, TX
- RANATRA FUSCA HORIZON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL JOHNSTON, IA

**Catch Us If You Can • Div II**

- 1st WESTFIELD EDISON INT SCH WESTFIELD, NJ
- 2nd MASTERMAN SCH A PHILADELPHIA, PA
- 2nd ORADELL KIDS FOUNDATION ORADELL, NJ
- 3rd KARIYA INV CLUB FOR BOYS/GIRLS KARIYA, JP
- 4th GIMNAZJUM W LUBLINIE LUBLIN, PD
- 4th ZESPOL SZKOL NR 55 WARSZAWA WARSZAWA, PD
- 5th GRANT ELE SCH B REDDING, CA
- 5th YUEPU EXPERIMENTAL SCH CH
- 5th SHANGHAI H S INTL DIV CH
- 6th J. P. LIBERATI INT SCH BETHLEHEM, PA

**Catch Us If You Can • Div III**

- 1st FREEDOM HS SOUTH RIDING, VA
- 2nd MIAMI PALMETTO HS MIAMI, FL
- 3rd & RANATRA FUSCA GENESEO CENTRAL SCH LE ROY, NY
- 4th BEECHWOOD SCH A FT MITCHELL, KY
- 5th PITTSFORD HS A PITTSFORD, NY
- 6th WALNUT CREEK ROTARY CLUB WALNUT CREEK, CA

**Catch Us If You Can Div • IV**

- 1st SHANGHAI JIAO TONG UNIV CH
- 2nd SHANGHAI OCEAN UNIVERSITY CH
- 3rd NORTHERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY FT MITCHELL, KY

**Odd-A-Bot • Div I**

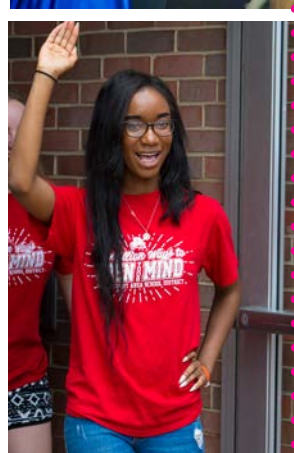
- 1st SANFORDVILLE ELE SCH WARWICK, NY
- 2nd MANZANITA ELE SCH TUCSON, AZ
- 3rd FRENCH CREEK ELE SCH CHESTER SPRINGS, PA
- 4th DELAWARE VALLEY ELE SCH MATAMORAS, PA
- 5th ZHONGYUAN HUIHE RD PRI SCH CH
- 5th NEW PUTUO PRI SCH CH
- 6th QINGDAO SHANGQING RD PRI SCH CH
- 6th WORLD LANGUAGE ACADEMY FLOWERY BRANCH, GA

**Odd-A-Bot • Div II**

- 1st WARWICK MIDDLE SCHOOL WARWICK, NY
- 2nd CENTRAL MIDDLE SCHOOL GRAND RAPIDS, MI
- 3rd LABORATORIUM PRYZMAT GDANSK GDANSK, PD
- 4th DELAWARE VALLEY MID SCH MILFORD, PA
- 5th OSRODEK PSYCHOEDUKACJI DAMB GDANSK, PD
- 5th & RANATRA FUSCA RAFFLES GIRLS SECONDARY SCH SINGAPORE
- 6th PACETTI BAY MID SCH St. AUGUSTINE, FL

**Odd-A-Bot • Div III**

- 1st POCAHONTAS HS POCAHONTAS, AR
- 2nd PIEDMONT AREA VETERANS ASSOC YUKON, OK
- 3rd ST JOHN NEUMANN REG ACADEMY WILLIAMSPORT, PA
- 4th SARASOTA CHRISTIAN SCH SARASOTA, FL
- 5th NOTRE DAME ACADEMY DULUTH, GA
- 6th SOUTHLAKE CARROLL HS SOUTHLAKE, TX
- 6th OSRODEK PSYCHOEDUKACJI DAMB GDANSK, PD



**It's TIME, OMER • Div I**

- 1st SEA PARK ELE SCH SATELLITE BEACH, FL
- 2nd WUHAN YUCAI PRI SCH CH
- 3rd LEWIS GREENVIEW ELE SCH A COLUMBIA, SC
- 3rd WISE SCH LOS ANGELES, CA
- 4th XUHUI GUANGQI PRI SCH CH
- 5th LORTON STATION ELE SCH LORTON, VA
- 6th HILL ELE SCH ARLINGTON, TX

**It's TIME, OMER • Div II**

- 1st & RANATRA FUSCA STOW ISKIERKI WYOBRAZNI WARSZAWA, PD
- 2nd CARROLL MID SCH SOUTHLAKE, TX
- 3rd MAGEE MID SCH TUCSON, AZ
- 4th DUNEDIN MID SCH DUNEDIN, FL
- 4th ZKPIG NR 8 GDANSK GDANSK, PD
- 4th GWINNETT ONLINE CAMPUS LAWRENCEVILLE, GA
- 5th P S DUPONT MID SCH WILMINGTON, DE
- 6th ST. ELIZABETH PARISH SCH PHOENIXVILLE, PA

**It's TIME, OMER • Div III**

- 1st & RANATRA FUSCA SOUTH MECKLENBURG HS CHARLOTTE, NC
- 2nd HUNTERDON COUNTY LIBRARY FLEMINGTON, NJ
- 3rd RAFFLES GIRLS SECONDARY SCH SINGAPORE
- 4th ANGLLO CHINESE SCH INDEPENDENT SINGAPORE
- 4th YORK CENTRAL SCH LE ROY, NY
- 5th JP STEVENS HS A EDISON, NJ
- 6th NO 1 HS AT TONGJI UN CH

**It's TIME, OMER • Div IV**

- 1st WUHAN COLLEGE OF IND TECH CH
- 2nd E CHINA UNV OF POL SCI AND LAW CH

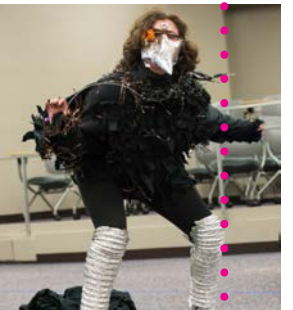
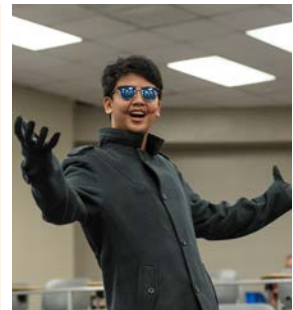
**READY, SET, BALSABUILD! Div I**

- 1st CHINO VALLEY ADVOGATE C CHINO, CA
- 2nd PINE BUSH ELE SCH PINE BUSH, NY
- 3rd STEUART WELLER ELE SCH A ASHBURN, VA
- 4th WEST BUNCOMBE ELE SCH ASHEVILLE, NC
- 4th MORAGA ROTARY CLUB MORAGA, CA
- 5th POQUOSON ELE SCH POQUOSON, VA
- 5th CHANGZHOU JIEFANG ROAD PRI SCH CH
- 6th GLENWOOD SCH A SHORT HILLS, NJ

**READY, SET, BALSABUILD! Div II**

- 1st AND RANATRA FUSCA QINGDAO TAIPING RD PRI SCH CH
- 2nd CW DAVIS MID SCH FLOWERY BRANCH, GA
- 3rd GREEN CITY OF SHANGHAI CH
- 4th BOYS & GIRLS INV CLUB TOYOTA TOYOTA, AICHI, JP
- 5th & RANATRA FUSCA ALGOOD MID SCH COOKEVILLE, TN
- 6th BELMONT RIDGE MIDDLE SCHOOL ASHBURN, VA
- 6th ALTONA MID SCH LONGMONT, CO

**CONGRATS TEAMS!**



**READY, SET, BALSABUILD! Div III**

- 1st JP STEVENS HS A EDISON, NJ
- 2nd FRANKLIN COUNTY HS ROCKY MOUNT, VA
- 3rd CEDAR CREST HS LEBANON, PA
- 3rd ZESPOL SZKOL SRKAK CHORZOW CHORZOW, PD
- 4th ARDREY KELL HS CHARLOTTE, NC
- 5th JP STEVENS HS B EDISON, NJ
- 6th POQUOSON HS POQUOSON, VA
- 6th HIGH SCH AT SHANGHAI UNIV CH

**READY, SET, BALSABUILD! Div IV**

- 1st UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA NORMAN, OK
- 2nd PENN STATE UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY PARK, PA
- 3rd JOHN CABOT UNIVERSITY JENKS, OK
- 4th X LICEUM OGOLNOKSZTALCACE WROCLAW, PD
- 4th SHANGHAI UNIV OF ENG SCIENCE CH
- 5th NORMAL UNIV TIANHUA COLLEGE CH

**TBC: A SUPERHERO CLIFFHANGER • Div I**

- 1st MACARTHUR ELE SCH A ALEXANDRIA, VA
- 2nd COLE CANYON ELE SCH B MURRIETA, CA
- 3rd GLENWOOD SCH A SHORT HILLS, NJ
- 4th SHENYANG ROAD PRI SCH CH
- 5th ORADELL PUBLIC SCH ORADELL, NJ
- 5th KIDDOVATE ROCKVILLE, MD
- 6th LILA ARK ACADEMY SEOUL, KR

**TBC: A SUPERHERO CLIFFHANGER • Div II**

- 1st BAILEY MID SCH CORNELIUS, NC
- 2nd ANGLLO CHINESE SCH INDEPENDENT SINGAPORE
- 2nd NANYANG GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL SINGAPORE
- 3rd MAGEE MID SCH TUCSON, AZ
- 4th FORT COUCH MIDDLE SCHOOL A PITTSBURGH, PA
- 5th PENNRIDGE CENTRAL MID SCH PERKASIE, PA
- 6th SEVEN SPRINGS MID SCH A WESLEY CHAPEL, FL

**TBC: A SUPERHERO CLIFFHANGER • Div III**

- 1st ANGLLO CHINESE SCH INDEPENDENT SINGAPORE
- 2nd SOUTH MECKLENBURG HS CHARLOTTE, NC
- 3rd SCHOLARS ACADEMY THOMASVILLE, GA
- 4th V LICEUM OGOLNOKSZTALCACE GDANSK, PD
- 5th WOODSTOWN HS WOODSTOWN, NJ
- 5th MOON AREA HIGH SCHOOL MOON, PA
- 5th WELLSVILLE HS WELLSVILLE, NY
- 6th SOUTHBRIDGE FELLOWSHIP RALEIGH, NC
- 6th GENESEO CENTRAL SCH LE ROY, NY

**TBC: A SUPERHERO CLIFFHANGER • Div IV**

- 1st ITHACA COLLEGE ITHACA, NY
- 2nd DONGHUA UNIV CH
- 3rd UNIV OF SHANGHAI FOR SCI TECH CH
- 4th YOUNG HARRIS COLLEGE YOUNG HARRIS, GA

**OMER's Awards**

**Kaitlyn Hsu Canyon Del Oro, Tucson, AZ**

**Problem 3, Division III**

Kaitlyn's artistic talents allowed her to recreate a 2D representation of Cupid's Psyche Revived. She mimicked the delicate values and forms with precision. Her talent, skill, passion, spirit and philosophy of Odyssey are exemplified through Kaitlyn's kindness and consideration in helping others achieve the team's goals.

**Tony Colton Sarasota Christian School, Sarasota FL**

**Problem 3, Division III**

Tony stands out as truly representing, not only Odyssey of the Mind spirit, but the spirit of all who see lemons and make lemonade, lemon pie, and lemon bars to feed the neighborhood. Tony has been battling cancer for 6 years and accepted this award on behalf of all who are affected by the illness. Through surgeries and chemo, he attended every Odyssey meeting, even if it was through Skype. He is the anchor of the team, contributing great ideas, technical expertise, and always a positive outlook.

**Wuhan College of Ind Tech Wuhan, China**

**Problem 3, Division IV**

This team revived the art of needle point and elevated paper folding to new heights. It spent months recreating a classic painting through the art - every detail and color was captured so precisely that the final product tricked our eyes into believing yarn was paint. VanGogh's famous Sunflowers came to life through thousands of pieces of folded paper layered with paint and shredded paper. The attention to detail and artistic quality of the works truly allowed creativity to shine.

