



DANCE

Schedule

Check In-----10AM
(Doors open at 10 AM for warm-up).
Competition begins ---11 AM
Competition ends----- 5 PM

Deadlines Early Bird registration fee: A discount of \$10 off the registration fee can be applied if registration forms – with payment included – are postmarked by **June 13, 2008**. Application deadline must be postmarked by **July 11, 2008**. No onsite registration is authorized.

Amenities Healthy snacks, water, dressing rooms

Rules and Scoring

Registration:

All athletes must be 50 years old by December 31, 2008, to compete in the Senior Games. Partner age groups are determined by the age of the youngest partner/team member on December 31, 2008. Pro-Am Eligibility—The professional can be under age 50 provided that the competitor is 50 by 12/31/08. The competitor will be judged on his/her skill at level entered. If you are dancing with more than one partner, you must complete a registration form for each couple. Once you are registered for Dance, if you compete with another partner, you pay only the \$8 sports fee for each dance. Organizers reserve the right to scratch competition dances if participation is minimal. All out of state/country competitors are welcome.

Competition Dance Events

American Smooth Division: Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz.

International Standard Division: Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz, Quickstep

American Rhythm Division: Rumba, Cha-Cha, East Coast Swing, Mambo, Bolero.

International Latin Division: Rumba, Cha-Cha, Jive, Samba, Paso Double.

Night club: Salsa, West Coast Swing, Hustle, Night Club 2 Step

Group General Rules: Two or more couples dance at the same time in competition with each other in selected dance for 1 ½ minutes. Music will be provided by the Music Director. Couples are either judged and ranked in comparison with other couples in the same competitive category, or are judged on an individual basis as compared to the ability expected for the level at which they are competing. To facilitate the best use of time scheduling, competition may be divided into Flights by grouping similar ages who are dancing the same dance to the same music. For Awards, see Scoring (below). Costuming must be in good taste and appropriate for family-style audiences.

Solo General Rules: Couples may enter no more than 1 Solo Level (Level 1/Level 2/Level 3), Gold or Silver medals will be awarded for each dance based on a competition point system. One couple dances at a time with a routine choreographed to music, which they supply on a CD to the Music Director. Music will be faded at 2 minutes 45 seconds. Couples are judged on an individual basis as compared to the ability expected for the level at which they are competing. Costuming and music must be in good taste and appropriate for family-style audiences.

Exhibition: Open exhibition. One couple or group dances at a time with a routine choreographed to music, which they supply on a CD to the Music Director. All routines are danced 1 ½ minutes including special entrances or exits. Music will be faded at 1 ½ minutes. Costuming, performance and music must be in good taste and appropriate for family-style audiences. Call Darlene if you wish to do an exhibition/demonstration of a dance (no sports fee or awards this year).

Age Groups/Costuming:

Age groups per registration form. Costuming must be appropriate to the dance and the person wearing it. Costuming must be in good taste and appropriate for family-style audiences. No advertising on clothing allowed. No tear-away costumes except in Level 3 solos and exhibitions.

Levels:

Level 1 & 2 is restricted to school figures and for Level 3 open choreography is allowed.



Pro-Am:

The professional pays the registration entry fee. He/She also pays the sports fee (\$8) per dance entered. It is professional's responsibility to get the student to pay the professional back for the sports fees.

SCORING:

Judges will be recognized dance professionals.

Awards will be presented at the end of each competition dance Division according to Judging Criteria below.

- Group Flight competitors will be awarded gold, silver, and bronze medals to the first, second and third place competitors. Other dancers in the heat will be awarded participation ribbons.
- Solo Competitors will be awarded gold and silver medals to the first and second place dancers.

Points required for placement: (Solo's) (Exhibitions in the future)

85-100 FIRST PLACE

70-84 SECOND PLACE

JUDGING CRITERIA:

Appearance 15 pts

Enthusiasm (5)

Costumes/Audience Appeal (10)

Interpretation/Choreography 35 pts

Creativity/Originality/Complexity (15)

(Includes Entrance/Exit)

Character of Dance/Audience interaction (20)

Accuracy 30 pts

Musicality, Technique (10)

Rhythm and timing (20)

Intensity 20 pts

Energy/Posture (10)

Physical demands/Total Body Use, Ex. Frame. (10)