2027 Ballroom Beach Bash - General Rules

Dance Levels and Age Divisions

Number of Levels allowed

Adult Students may dance up to two age divisions and 2 levels, for example Bronze and Silver or Silver and Gold. They may enter at their true level of dance and three higher in any one style of dance. Open categories do not count as a level and may be danced in addition to the 4 levels. A student may only dance their true age and an additional younger age category.

Preteen, Juniors, and Youth may enter their true age category and one division older.

Different Styles - Different levels

Students may enter in completely different levels of dance in differing Styles of Dance.

A Pro/Am student may dance the Open Bronze, Open Silver and Open Gold levels (all 3 levels) if the student is in fact a true Bronze level dancer. The student's level will be determined by the single dances entered (A Bronze level student is one who dances the majority of their single dances in the Bronze Level).

Merging Age and Gender divisions

In any category with three entries or less, the organizer reserves the right to eliminate the age and sex divisions and merge competitors into one category.

All Silver, Gold and Advanced divisions will be ladies and gentlemen combined if fewer than 3 competitors

Closed One Dance Divisions - Restricted to Syllabus

Closed Single and Multi-Dance Bronze divisions, the material danced should be from the N.D.C.A. list of Approved Figures, Elements & Restrictions. All other Closed levels and Dances not covered by this list, should be from NDCA approved members' syllabus. See NDCA Rules section at bottom of BallroomBeachBash.com Entries page.

Closed Category Invigilators

A panel of invigilators will be used for all restricted categories (closed divisions). The categories will be strictly supervised and competitors

See NDCA Rules section on BallroomBeachBash.com Entries page.

Open One Dance Divisions - Not Restricted to Syllabus

Open Bronze, Open Silver, Open Gold, Open Gold Star

Open divisions may use figures from any levels. Students may dance lower age and higher levels in Open.

Closed Dance Categories

Newcomer, Beg Bronze, Int. Bronze, Full Bronze

Pre Silver, Int. Silver, Full Silver

Pre Gold , Int. Gold, Full Gold,

Open Dance Categories

Open Bronze, Open Adv Bronze, Open Silver, Open Adv Silver, Open Gold, Open Advanced

Age Divisions

The age of the Amateur or the Student is the only consideration. Pre-Teen, Junior and Youth competitors may dance up one age classification.

Pro/Am One-Dance Age Classifications:

Li'l Squirt (7 & under)

Pre-Teen 1 (9 & under)

Pre-Teen 2 (10-11)

Junior 1 (12-13)

Junior 2 (14-15)

Youth (16-18)

A1 (19-30) A2 (31-40),

B1 (41-50), B2 (51-60),

S1 (61-70), S2 (71-75), S3 (76-80), S4 (81+)

Pro/Am Challenges Age Classifications:

Closed and Open Multi Dance Challenges: A (19-35), B (36-50), C (51-50), S1 (61-70), S2 (71-75), S3 (76+)

Closed Bronze and Silver 6 Dance Challenges: A (19-35), B (36-60), S1 (61+)

Pro/Am Scholarships Age Classifications:

Closed and Open Scholarships: A (19-35), B (36-50), C (51-60), S1 (61-70), S2 (71-75), S3 (76+)

Pro/Am Scholarship Events

For each separate Scholarship event entered Pro/Am competitors must dance an equal number of single dances in the same style. Please note that Multi-Dance categories do not fulfill the dance requirement noted above.

- Students may only enter <u>one</u> Closed Scholarship level in the same style. -Students ***<u>MAY</u>*** enter unlimited Open scholarships in the same style. The Prize money advertised on the BallroomBeachBash.com Web site is the Already Doubled Amount distributed for 4 or more competitors. The prize money will be halved if 3 or less competitors enter.

Closed Scholarship

Dancers must stay within the Bronze & Silver Syllabus, competitors committing infractions may be disqualified.

Open Scholarship

Open Scholarship dancers are not restricted to syllabi.

Solo Exhibitions

No Solo Exhibition is to exceed two minutes (2:00). Music must be on individual CD, or usb drive and must be submitted at least 30 minutes prior to dancing the solo event. Critique/Score Sheets will be given on Solo Exhibitions only.

Awards

Prize Money expiration

At the conclusion of their event Competitors are responsible for redeeming their awards vouchers by picking up their prize money checks from the awards desk at the competition, or in the event they fail to pick up their prize money check at the competition, the competitor is solely responsible for contacting the event organizers at info@ballroombeachbash.com to get a check mailed to them within 3 months of the date of their event concluding.
Any Prize money checks or awards not picked up or deposited within 6 months of the event for which they were awarded are deemed null and void.

BBB Top Teacher Qualifications Rules.

Entry Qualification

-**1st place $3500** plus bonus $3500 (**possible $7,000**) with a minimum qualification of 300 adult Pro-Am entries

- **2nd place $2000** plus bonus $1000 (**possible $3,000**)with a minimum qualification of 200 adult Pro-Am entries
- **3d place $1000** plus bonus $500 (**possible $1,500**)with a minimum qualification of 135 adult Pro-Am entries

-**4th place $750** plus bonus $350 (**possible $1,100**)with a minimum qualification of 125 adult ProAm entries

- **5th place $550** plus bonus $250 (**possible $800**)with a minimum qualification of 115 adult ProAm entries

-**6th place $450** plus bonus $200 (**possible $650**)with a minimum qualification of 100 adult ProAm entries

- **7th place $350** plus bonus $150 (**possible $500**)with a minimum qualification of 85 adult Pro-Am entries
- **8th place $250** plus bonus $125 (**possible $375**)with a minimum qualification of 75 adult ProAm entries

Total Top Teacher Prize Money with Bonus's earned - $14,925

All dances must be danced to qualify for top teacher points which include qualification for Pro/Am Dancesport Series entries.

_____ Calculation of Top Teacher Bonus:

- Each Single Pro-Am dance danced by the Teacher counts as 1 Point.
- Each Pro-Am Multi-dance and Scholarship event danced counts as 2 Points.

Placement Points earned by Teachers for each Adult Pro/Am Entry

_____ Calculation of Points:

Adult Pro-Am Single or 2 Dance Entry

1st Place 8 points
2nd Place 7 points
3rd Place 6 points
4th Place 5 points
5th Place 4 points
6th Place 3 points
7th Place 2 points
8th Place 1 point
Recall 4 points

Each Single adult Am-Am entry danced (paying same price as a regular Pro-Am entry) counts as 1 Point for the couple's Teacher.

_____ Adult Pro-Am Multi 3, 4 , or 6 Dance Entry

1st Place 20 points
2nd Place 15 points
3rd Place 10 points
4th Place 8 points
5th Place 6 points
6th Place 4 points
7th Place 2 points
8th Place 2 point Recall
5 points

Borbala Bunnett Top Female Teacher Awards

- All dances must be danced in order to qualify for top teacher points
- Calculation of points is as per BBB Top Teacher
- No minimum entries required
- Recipient can choose to accept **EITHER** the BBB Top Teacher placement award (based or combined male and female teachers points) **OR** the Borbala Bunnett placement award (based only female teachers points) but **NOT BOTH**.

Recalls

For each and every recall from 1 or 2 dance preliminary rounds - 4 points
For each and every recall from 3 or more dance preliminary rounds -5 points

Pro/Am entries in the Pre-Teen, Junior & Youth categories

will receive the following points:
1 point for Single Dance Entries
3 points for Multi-Dance Entries
There will be no placement points in these categories

Am/Am entries in under a teachers name

will receive the following points:
1 point for Single Dance Entries
3 points for Multi-Dance Entries
There will be no placement points in these categories

Top Studio Awards

Trophies will be awarded to the top studios in the following categories:

1) Small Studio (1 -2 competing students)
2) Medium Studio (3 - 6 competing students)
3) Large Studio (7 or more competing students)
4) Local Studio

Student Participation Awards

Every Adult Pro/Am student and Amateur couple competing in single-dance events will receive a participation certificate. Pre-Teen, Junior & Youth Pro/Am competitors will receive a trophy.

Top Student

Trophies will be presented to the Top Male and Female Students in each of the Bronze, Silver and Gold levels for American and International Style Single Dances. Also, trophies will be awarded for the Top solo exhibitions in each level.

Registration

All competing Professionals and Amateurs must be currently registered with the NDCA.
Proof of registration will be required.
Registration forms will be available at the competition or may be requested by mailing the NDCA c/o : Eleanor Wiblin, PO BOX 22018, Provo, Utah 84602, 801-422-8124 or go to www.ndca.org

On Deck -Please be advised that changes may be made from the original program and all dancers should be in the ballroom at least 30 minutes prior to the time they are scheduled to dance.

-Dancers are requested to be in the "On Deck" area at least two heats prior to their scheduled heat.
-Any competitor not on the floor when the Master of Ceremonies calls, is subject to possible disqualification for that heat.

NDCA

All persons attending this event, whether as spectators, officials, competitors or guests of the Organizers shall be bound by the N.D.C.A. rules and, by participating in this competition, automatically become obliged to adhere to those rules. See NDCA Rules section on BallroomBeachBash.com Entries page

Posters and Flyers

No signs, posters, etc. will be placed on the premises without permission of organizers.

Videotaping and Photography

No personal video cameras will be allowed. No sale of images taken in the competition ballroom is permitted except by the contracted photographer. Professionally produced videos and photographs will be available for purchase. All images and video taken at the event are copyrighted and belong to Ballroom Beach Bash Inc.

Tickets

Ticket Orders

All sales are final. No refunds, exchanges or cancellations. The purchaser is responsible for lost, stolen, damaged or destroyed tickets so when you receive your tickets, please keep them in a safe place.

Delivery

Tickets to the event will not be mailed out. They are available for purchase online for download or pick up at Will Call.

Equal, or Best Available

- Seating preferences will be based on package and receipt of entries and payment. Spectator seating will be based on when the paid order is received.
- Please note that we cannot accommodate seating separate orders together since the tickets are assigned when purchased.
- Occasionally, the tickets you order may no longer be available at the time your order is received. In this situation, we will issue tickets for what we deem to be the next best available for your request.

Forms of Payment and Cancellation/Refund Policy

Forms of Payment

By March 21st - Payment can be made either by personal or Studio check, cashier's check, money order, cash or credit card. Personal and Studio checks will only be accepted up to March 21st.

After March 21st - Payments made after March 21st , must be in the form of Cash, Cashiers Check or Credit Card (there is a 4% surcharge added to credit card payments).

Dance Entry Cancellations

Entry cancellations due to health issues, compassionate family circumstances, or other circumstances beyond your control will be fully refunded, subject to organizer approval.

Entry cancellations refunds due not to health issues, compassionate family circumstances, or other circumstances beyond your control are subject to a 10% administration fee.

Packages Cancellations

On Time - Package Cancellations submitted in writing by March 25th will be accepted and refunded by May 1st 2022 after deducting a $75 per person service fee.

Late - Package Cancellations submitted in writing after March 25th and before April 8th will only be refunded (after deducting a $75 per person service fee) in cases of emergency, or when accompanied by a Doctor's Certificate. Organizers decision on such matters is final.

Way Late - At the Event - No refund will be made on **package** Cancellations taken at the event and such cancellations except in cases of emergency, or when accompanied by a

Doctor's Certificate (after deducting a $75 per person service fee). Organizers decision on such matters is final.

Session Tickets

Refunds - No exchanges or refunds will be made on admission tickets. (all ticket sales are final, non-exchangeable and non-refundable).

Dress Code

Amateur Competitors

- Dress and/or costuming for Junior, Youth & Adult must adhere to NDCA costuming requirements.
- Inappropriate costuming will be grounds for disqualification.
- For rules and regulations See NDCA Rules section on BallroomBeachBash.com Entries page. (Amateur dress codes starts at page 33).

Spectator Attire

Wednesday Evening: Club attire **Thursday Day:** Beach Casual **Thursday Evening:** Business attire
Friday Day: Beach Casual
Friday Evening: Beach Formal (be creative, see beachbashbackside.com for examples) **Saturday Day:** Beach Casual
Saturday Evening: Formal or Business attire.

Minor children at the Ballroom Beach Bash

All minor children (under the age of 18) must be accompanied by a parent or legal age guardian to attend or spectate at the Ballroom Beach Bash.