



RULES OF THE GAME

The TOP Solo Dance Challenge consists of three unique dance challenges, and the performance of a prepared solo. There are only two age divisions, 12 & Younger and Ages 13-19, and no leveling of competition. Each section of competition will be scored and awarded as follows.

AUDITION CHALLENGE

10 dancers from each age division, as determined by a consensus of the judges, will be awarded a Challenge neck medal and one point to be added to his or her overall score. The Audition Challenge this year will be a ballet combo. Please dress appropriately. Girls: Black leotard with pink tights, ballet shoes and hair in bun. Boys: Dress as you normally would for a ballet class at your studio.

IMPROV CHALLENGE

10 dancers from each age division, as determined by a consensus of the judges, will be awarded a Challenge neck medal and one point to be added to his or her overall score. No specific dancewear required for this event, you choose.

PREPARED SOLO PERFORMANCE

All dancers will receive up to 100 points to be added to his or her overall score as determined by an averaging of the judges' individual scores in the following areas: Technique 1-30 points; Style and Execution 1-25 points; Showmanship 1-20 points; Choreography 1-10; Costume 1-5 points; Degree of Difficulty 1-5 points; and Age Appropriate Performance 1-5 points. For this event adjudicated trophies and category cups will not be awarded. Dancers will also approach the judges' table immediately following their performance for a live critique (no video critiques for this event).

MYSTERY CHALLENGE

10 dancers from each age division, as determined by a consensus of the judges, will be awarded a Challenge neck medal and two points will be added to his or her overall score. Dancewear for girls: Matching tights and jazz style shoes (black tights/black shoes, or tan tights/tan shoes), with leotard of any color that makes you feel and look good. Dancewear for boys: Matching pants and jazz style shoes (black pants/black shoes, or tan pants/tan shoes), with shirt of any color that makes you feel and look good.

TOP 10 FINISHERS AND ULTIMATE SOLO CHALLENGE WINNERS

When all sections of competition have concluded the scores will be totaled and a TOP 10 lineup will be called for each age division. TOP 10 finishers will each receive a special TOP 10 neck medal. The winner in each age division will receive a special TOP Solo Dance Challenge trophy and a cash award in the amount of \$1,500. All dancers, regardless of finish, will receive a participation jacket medal.

SCORE SHEETS

We're going old-school with this event. Paper score sheets will be available to pick up by studio directors from the tabulator's table at the end of the event.