

2023 Michigan Dance Challenge - Rules and Regulations

1. All Material used should be based on the N.D.C.A. list of approved patterns and figures
2. Following categories pertain to Pro/Am and Amateur American Free Styles only:

Newcomers (1 st Time Only)	1 through 5	Pre Silver	1 through 5
Pre Bronze	1 through 5	Intermediate Silver	1 through 8
Intermediate Bronze	1 through 8	Full Silver	1 through 10
Full Bronze	1 through 10	Intermediate Gold	1 through 8
		Gold	1 through 10
		Advanced	Gold Bar and Gold Star

Following categories pertain to Pro/Am and Amateur International Free Styles only:

Pre Bronze thru Closed Gold - any approved syllabi of member organizations of the N.D.C.A.
Open Gold and Advanced - there are no restrictions other than the use of lifts.

3. Pro/Am & Student/Student Age Divisions- you may enter in Two age divisions:

Pre-teen	up to 11	A3	41+
Junior	12-15	B1	51+
A	16-20	B2	61+
A1	21+	C1	71+
A2	31+	C2	81+

4. LEVEL OF DANCE in American and International Style- Pro/Am or Amateur Couples
You may dance up to four levels in the closed freestyles and two levels in the open one-dance championships. The levels must be in consecutive order; you may not skip a level. Example: Int. Bronze, Full Bronze, and Pre-Silver. Students may challenge any younger age division.
5. Newcomer level free-style - open to students who have never competed at the Michigan Dance Challenge before. A student may not enter this category more than once,
6. No continuity style in Bronze.
7. AMERICAN STYLE DRESS CODE Pro/Am and INTERNATIONAL STYLE DRESS CODE
Pro/Am - costumes are permitted at any levels.
8. In any category with fewer than three entries, the organizer reserves the right to eliminate the age and sex divisions and merge competitors into one open division.
9. Solo exhibitions critique sheets and scores will be available to studio personnel on Sunday at the registration desk. Solos are limited to 2 minutes and 30 seconds including walk on and walk off. Competitors are responsible for bringing their music on a flash drive only.
10. Formations: maximum time limited to three (3) minutes for a single dance and four (4) minutes for a medley. Timing of routine shall begin and end with the accompaniment. Teams must consist of at least four (4) couples.
11. Maximum of THREE Solo Exhibitions per student will be accepted.
12. Two teachers dancing with one student are entered as a regular solo exhibition.
13. Two amateurs dancing together can have three entries on Solo Exhibition plus the three in Pro-Am.
14. Lifts are only permitted in Solo Categories. A lift is defined as both feet of one competitor leaving the floor with the assistance from the other partner.
15. Cancellation/Refund Policy: Cancellations made 14 days or less prior to the event will receive a refund within 30 days after the event. Absolutely NO REFUNDS at the event. **There are no refunds or exchanges on general admission tickets.
17. A panel of investigators will be used for all restricted categories. These categories will be strictly supervised and competitors committing infraction will be warned once then disqualified.
18. No responsibility for loss or theft of articles left in changing rooms, ballroom, or hotel rooms can be accepted by The organizer or the N.D.C.A., neither can they be held liable for injury sustained by persons attending the Michigan Dance Challenge. Everyone does so at his or her own risk.
19. Everyone attending this event, whether as spectators or as Officials or as Competitors or guests of the Organizer, shall be bound by N.D.C.A. rules, and by participating in the Michigan Dance Challenge automatically become obliged to adhere to them.
20. Professionals competing in any capacity must be currently registered with the N.D.C.A. and supply the Organizers with an official registration number on our entry forms. Registration Forms are available from NDCA.ORG.
21. Professional Prize Money - The organizer reserves the right to cut the professional prize money in half if that particular event has three or less competitors in the event.

22. Payments

1. All payments made to the Michigan Dance Challenge can be made payable to Michigan Dance Challenge.
 - a. All payments are due at the time of approving your invoice.
 - b. All payments must be in the form of a credit card payment 45 days prior to the event, cashier's check, money order, venmo, cash app, or cash.
 - i. Venmo - ballroomdancestudios last 4 of the phone number is 6848.
 - ii. Cash App - \$ballroomdancestudios

Michigan Dance Challenge - **DEADLINE - MARCH 8, 2023**

We will accept late entries, but try to turn them in ASAP – Thank You!

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