

OFFICIALS

Judges

10) Michel Guimond (Chair)
13) Delphine Romaine
16) Aleksandra Antonova

11) Kim Donaghy
14) Eric Caty

12) Danny Quilliam
15) Martin Lefebvre

RULES AND PROCEDURES

General

- a) All spectators must purchase a General Admission Ticket for the applicable period of attendance.
- b) **No refund** shall be made of entry fees or general admission tickets.
- c) Competition will be conducted according to applicable CDF and NDCC rules.
- d) **Video taping of the professional competition or professional show is strictly prohibited.**
- e) By dancing in the Calgary Open Dance Competition, all participants agree that any photos or video taken of them during the event may be used by the organizer for promotional purposes.

Competitors

- f) Entry deadline for competitors is **April 24, 2017; Entries submitted after will be subject to a Late Penalty of \$30. No events or additional rounds will be added to the program to accommodate late entries**
- g) In any category with fewer than three (3) entries, the organizer reserves the right to cancel the event or to eliminate age divisions and merge competitors into one open division.
- h) Amateur competitors must meet NDCC requirements regarding registration.
- i) Applicable CDF and NDCC rules will govern International and American Style competition dress code.
- j) Beginners Ladies: Cocktail Dresses (Ballroom and Latin costumes not permitted)
- k) Bronze and Above Levels are allowed to wear costumes in single group flights
- l) Beginners Gentlemen: Jackets or vests, suits or tuxedo (tails or cast suits are not permitted)
- m) Bronze and Above Levels are allowed to wear costumes in single group flights
- n) Costumes are permitted in all levels in Open Multi-dance and Scholarship Dances
- o) All other levels: Competitor attire is permitted
- p) Payments for all entries must be made prior to the commencement of the competition.
- q) Dressing rooms will be provided for competitors. The organizer cannot guarantee the security of items stored in the dressing rooms or in the ballroom, and competitors shall assume the risk of loss of, or damage to, any property stored.
- r) Male competitors must pay a refundable \$5.00 deposit at the time of issuing competitor numbers.
- s) Solo routines and group flights will take place in the daytime events.
- t) Awards will be presented in each event immediately following the completion of the event.
- u) Change of partners will not be allowed during the dance, (Formation dances exempted).
- v) Instructors cannot enter more than one student in the same dance, at the same level, or the same age group.
- w) Amateur competitors are responsible for dancing only those division and classification categories for which they are eligible.
- x) While on the competition premises, competitors shall conduct themselves in a civil and sportsmanlike manner at all times.
- y) All competitors must be lined up "ON DECK", and ready to go on the floor (15) minutes before they are to compete in an event. In case of tardiness, the competition will not be delayed.
- z) Any competitor who is not on the dance floor for an event when the music begins will be disqualified in that event.
- aa) All competitors participating in an event shall accept as final the individual marking of the Judges and no appeal against them may be made, except when it can be shown that the actual markings have been incorrectly interpreted.
- bb) All competitors shall refrain from harassing or questioning a Judge about his/her personal reason for the mark.
- cc) Drops are permitted in Gold and above freestyle group flights, as well as Bronze, Silver and Gold Solo Exhibitions. Lifts are not permitted.
- dd) The organizer of the event reserves the right to reject the application of any competitor who has violated any of the above rules of conduct in any recognized event.

COMPETITION

I. AGE GROUPS

Where applicable, age levels shall be designated as follows:

Under 10	JV1	10 – 11 years	JV2
12 – 13 years	JN1	14 – 15 years	JN2
16 – 17 years	Y	18 – 34 years	A1
35 – 44 years	A2	45 – 55 years	B1
56 – 65 years	B2	66 – 75 years	C1
76 and over	C2		

II. COMPETITION LEVELS

These symbols, where applicable, appear on entry forms

<u>International</u>		<u>American</u>		<u>Country</u>	
Beginners	BG	Beginners	BG	Beginners	D4
Pre-Bronze	PB	Intermediate Bronze	IB	Novice	D3
Bronze	B	Full Bronze	FB	Intermediate	D2
Silver	S	Open Bronze	OB	Advanced	D1
Gold	G	Intermediate Silver	IS		
Pre-Championship	PC	Full Silver	FS		
Championship	C	Open Silver	OS		
		Intermediate Gold	IG		
		Full Gold	FG		
		Open Gold	OG		

1. American Style Syllabus Restrictions

The American syllabus restrictions will apply only in the Freestyle Group Flights in the “Closed” category. No syllabus restrictions apply for “Open” category competitions.

All Multidances and Scholarship rounds will not have any syllabus restrictions.

The steps for each level are those set out in NDCA. Syllabus, DVIDA Syllabus, the Fred Astaire or the Arthur Murray social step list.

2. International Style Syllabus Restrictions

The steps for International Style are set out by the CDF and NDCC.

The syllabus restrictions will apply only in the Freestyle Group Flights in the “Closed” category.

No syllabus restrictions apply for “Open” category competitions.

Age eligibility regulations are based on the status of the amateur only. In the case of the amateur couples, the couple will be ranked according to the average age of the two partners.

A competitor can enter 1 or more age divisions above their own age division

III. EVENTS

1. Solo Exhibitions

- Any dance style; American, International and Country
- Open to Amateur and Pro/Am Competitors
- Open to Formation Teams
- All routines will be judged on the point system
- No routine is to exceed two minutes and fifteen seconds (2:15)
- Solos are open; variations of the syllabus are expected
- Music must be on compact disk only
- All compact discs must be clearly labeled with group number and track number
- Music must be handed in upon registration

2. Freestyle Group Flights

- Open to all ages and dance styles
- Open to Amateur and Pro/Am Competitors
- Group Flights will be no more than one minute and thirty seconds (1:30), if there is only one couple participating in the group flight, the time may be reduced to one minute and fifteen seconds (1:15)
- Competitors may dance in multiple group flight levels.**

3. Formation Teams

- All team members must purchase daytime event passes for the days competing
- Music must be cued and handed in upon registration
- Formation Competitions shall be conducted according to NDCC rules

4. Multi-dance

- Open to Pro/Am and Am/Am competitors
- Competitors must dance the dances listed in this event
- Competitors may dance in two multi-dance levels, their normal level and one level higher.**

American

Smooth

Beginners	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Pre-Bronze	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Intermediate Bronze	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Full Bronze	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Pre-Silver	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Intermediate Silver	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Full Silver	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Pre-Gold	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Intermediate Gold	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Full Gold	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Open Gold	Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Pre-Champ	Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, V-Waltz
Champion	Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, V-Waltz

Rhythm

Beginners	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Pre-Bronze	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Intermediate Bronze	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Full Bronze	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Pre-Silver	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Intermediate Silver	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Full Silver	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Pre-Gold	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Intermediate Gold	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Full Gold	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Open Gold	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Pre-Champ	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo
Champion	Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo

International

Ballroom

Beginners	Waltz, Quickstep
Pre-Bronze	Waltz, Quickstep
Bronze	Waltz, Tango, Quickstep
Silver	Waltz, Tango, Quickstep
Gold	Waltz, Tango, Quickstep
Pre-Champ	Waltz, Tango, V-Waltz, Foxtrot, Q-Step
Champion	Waltz, Tango, V-Waltz, Foxtrot, Q-Step

Latin

Beginners	Cha Cha, Jive
Pre-Bronze	Cha Cha, Jive
Bronze	Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive
Silver	Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive
Gold	Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive
Pre-Champ	Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive
Champion	Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive

Country

Beginners	Two Step, West Coast Swing
Novice	Two Step, Waltz, West Coast Swing
Intermediate	Two Step, Waltz, West Coast Swing
Advanced	Two Step, Waltz, West Coast Swing

5. Open Multi-dance

Open to Pro/Am and Am/Am competitors

Competitors must dance the dances listed in this event

*** The Open Multi-dance Competition Features 30" High Perpetual Trophies**

Competitors competing against others and winning the trophy 3 years in a row will be allowed to keep the trophy.

American Pro-Am Dances

Smooth

Beginners to Bronze Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Silver to Gold Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Pre-Champ to Champion Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, V-Waltz

Rhythm

Beginners to Bronze Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Silver to Gold Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Pre-Champ to Champion Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo

International Pro-Am Dances

Ballroom

Beginners to Bronze Waltz, Tango, Quickstep
Silver to Gold Waltz, Tango, Quickstep
Pre-Champ to Champion Waltz, Tango, V-Waltz, Foxtrot, Q-Step

Latin

Beginners to Bronze Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive
Silver to Gold Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive
Pre-Champ to Champion Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive

American Amateur Couple Dances

Smooth

Beginners to Bronze Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Silver to Gold Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango
Pre-Champ to Champion Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, V-Waltz

Rhythm

Beginners to Bronze Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Silver to Gold Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing
Pre-Champ to Champion Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo

International Amateur Couple Dances

Ballroom

Beginners to Bronze Waltz, Tango, Quickstep
Silver to Gold Waltz, Tango, Quickstep
Pre-Champ to Champion Waltz, Tango, V-Waltz, Foxtrot, Q-Step

Latin

Beginners to Bronze Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive
Silver to Gold Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive
Pre-Champ to Champion Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive

6. Scholarship Rounds

Cash prizes shall be awarded to the winners of each competition

Open to Pro/Am and Am/Am competitors

There shall be nine (9) separate events in this competition, and two (2) age divisions:

Under 18; 18 and Over

To be eligible for entry in an event(s), a competitor must have entered and danced in group flights in each of the dances listed above for these events

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| a) American Smooth Beginners to Bronze | Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango |
| b) American Smooth Silver to Gold | Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango |
| c) American Smooth Pre-Champ to Champion | Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, V-Waltz |
| d) International Ballroom Beginners to Bronze | Waltz, Tango, Quickstep |
| e) International Ballroom Silver to Gold | Waltz, Tango, Quickstep |
| f) International Ballroom Pre-Champ to Champion | Waltz, Tango, V-Waltz, Foxtrot, Q-Step |
| g) American Rhythm Beginners to Bronze | Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing |
| h) American Rhythm Silver to Gold | Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing |
| i) American Rhythm Pre-Champ to Champion | Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo |
| j) International Latin Beginners to Bronze | Cha, Cha, Rumba, Jive |
| k) International Latin Silver to Gold | Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive |
| l) International Latin Pre-Champ to Champion | Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive |
| m) Country | Two Step, Waltz, West Coast Swing |

Please note: Organizer reserves the right to cancel any scholarship event having fewer than three (3) entries and to present a cash payout of one half (1/2) the amount if there are fewer than five (5) entries.

7. Amateur Showcase Challenge 2017

The showdance competition will be held during the Saturday evening events and will feature a cash scholarship award for the top 3 couples:

First Place: \$400.00 Second Place: \$200.00 Third Place: \$100.00

Note: Scholarship amounts will be halved if there are fewer than 5 couples entered.

Entry Fee: Free! (Each participant must purchase a Saturday evening ticket in order to enter.)

Each couple may enter one showdance routine in this competition not to exceed 5 minutes in duration.

Please note: Organizer reserves the right to cancel the Amateur Showdance Challenge event if there are fewer than three (3) entries.

8. Amateur Competitions

All competitors must be registered with NDCC.

Age categories for Amateur Competitions shall be Juvenile, Junior, Youth, Adult and Senior

Under 10	Juvenile I	10 – 11	Juvenile II
12 – 13	Juvenile I	14 – 15	Juvenile II
16 – 18	Youth	19 and Over	Adult
30 and Over	Senior		

Events shall be conducted under applicable syllabus restrictions

American

Smooth

Beginners

Waltz

Bronze

Waltz, Foxtrot

Silver

Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot

Gold

Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot

Pre-Championship Smooth

Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz

Pre-Championship Rhythm

Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero

Championship Smooth

Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz

Championship Rhythm

Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo

Rhythm

Beginners

Cha Cha

Bronze

Cha Cha, Swing

Silver

Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing

Gold

Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing

The organizer reserves the right to cancel or combine events having fewer than three (3) entries

International

Ballroom

Beginners

Waltz, Quickstep

Beginners 1-Dance

Waltz, Quickstep

Pre-Bronze

Waltz, Tango, Quickstep

Bronze (Block 1)

Waltz, Tango, Quickstep

Bronze (Block 2)

Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz

Silver (Block 1)

Waltz, Tango, Quickstep

Silver (Block 2)

Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz

Gold (Block 1)

Waltz, Tango, Quickstep

Gold (Block 2)

Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz

Pre-Championship Ballroom (Block 1)

Waltz, Tango, Quickstep

Pre-Championship Ballroom (Block 2)

Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz

Pre-Championship Latin (Block 1)

Cha Cha, Rumba, Samba

Pre-Championship Latin (Block 2)

Paso Doble, Jive

Championship Ballroom

Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, Foxtrot, Quickstep

Championship Latin

Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive

Latin

Beginners

Cha Cha, Jive

Beginners 1-Dance

Cha Cha, Jive

Pre-Bronze

Cha Cha, Rumba, Jive

Bronze (Block 1)

Cha Cha, Rumba, Samba

Bronze (Block 2)

Paso Doble, Jive

Silver (Block 1)

Cha Cha, Rumba, Samba

Silver (Block 2)

Paso Doble, Jive

Gold (Block 1)

Cha Cha, Rumba, Samba

Gold (Block 2)

Paso Doble, Jive

All dances associated with each level are in accordance to NDCC rules.

Calgary Open has created a Beginners 1 Dance category in compliance to rule allowance outlined in the NDCC rule book.

ADVERTISING (PROGRAM BOOK)

Full Page: \$150.00 +GST (black and white)

Half Page: \$90.00 +GST (black and white)

Please note: All artwork must be in a digital format (Eg. Jpeg or pdf) ready or a fee of \$20.00 will be required

Deadline for Program Advertising is: April 24, 2017

VENDOR DISPLAY TABLES

Table rental is \$300.00 +GST for the duration of the competition. Price includes:

- 1 Display table with tablecloth - extra tables \$20.00 +GST each and tablecloths \$10.00 +GST each
- You may bring your own tablecloth
- 2 full event admission passes (day and evening) - no dinner. Dinners may be ordered, please advise - non transferable
- One full page advertisement (b/w) in the program book
- Vendor recognition on Calgary Open Dance Competition website
- Master of Ceremonies promotion throughout event

Deadline for Display Table Rental: April 24, 2017

HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

This is a special rate. Please mention you are with the "Sound to Light DJ" or the "Calgary Open Dance Competition."

Best Western Village Park Inn

1804 Crowchild Trail Northwest

Calgary, AB T2M 3Y7

(403) 289-0241

Prices:

Standard Double Queen room (2 queen beds) - \$139/night (+taxes)

King Atrium Plus room (1 king bed + pull out sofa) - \$149/night (+taxes)

Telephone: (403) 289-0241

Toll Free: 1 (800) 774-7716

Website: <http://www.villageparkinn.com>

Please note: Reservation deadline at the hotel is April 24, 2017. If room(s) is/are not reserved by this time, the hotel will release the rooms available for resale that they have set aside for us, so please reserve early.

AWARDS

Plaques or Trophies shall be presented to the winners of each event category listed as follows: Group Flights; Amateur Competitions (Beginners to Gold Events); Top Solo; Multi-dance; Collegiate; and Formation Teams

Trophies shall be presented to winners in each of the following categories:

- ❖ American Style Smooth Pre-champ and Championship Events
- ❖ American Style Rhythm Pre-Champ and Championship Events
- ❖ International Style Ballroom Pre-Championship and Championship Events
- ❖ International Style Latin Pre-Championship and Championship Events
- ❖ Country Advanced Events
- ❖ Open Multi-dance Pro-Am American Style Smooth and Rhythm
- ❖ Open Multi-dance Pro-Am International Style Ballroom and Latin
- ❖ Open Amateur Beginners to Bronze American Style Smooth and Rhythm
- ❖ Open Amateur Beginners to Bronze International Style Ballroom and Latin

Cash awards shall be presented in the following categories:

Supreme Solo

Supreme Solo for each of the top Female, Male, and Amateur Couple: Trophy

Scholarship Rounds

Scholarship Rounds (Under 18 years) 1st Place - \$175.00; 2nd Place - \$125.00; 3rd Place - \$100.00
Scholarship Rounds (18 yrs and Over) 1st Place - \$250.00; 2nd Place - \$150.00; 3rd Place - \$100.00

Please note: Organizer reserves the right to cancel any scholarship event having fewer than three (3) entries and to present a cash payout of one half (1/2) the amount if there are fewer than five (5) entries.

Top Teacher

1st Place - \$1,000.00; 2nd Place - \$500.00; 3rd Place - \$250.00

Please note: Top Teacher must have a minimum of one hundred (100) entries (solo, group flight, multi-dances and/or scholarship) to qualify for cash award. Teachers with entries below the minimum of 100 entries will receive recognition but no cash award will be paid. Note that cancelled entries do not count toward the total.

COMPETITION PRICING

BEFORE COMPLETING ENTRY FORMS PLEASE READ THIS PAGE OF THE RULES AND REGULATION BOOK.

Note: All competitors are required to purchase a full event admission ticket for the time their events are scheduled in order to dance in any event.

Admission Ticket Prices (includes both Day and Evening Entry)

Saturday Daytime Only Admission Ticket:	\$20
Saturday Daytime and Evening Front Row Table with Dinner	\$90 (No discounts for under 12)
Saturday Daytime and Evening Second Row Table with Dinner	\$85 (\$70 for under 12)
Saturday Daytime and Evening Competitor Pass Second Row without Dinner	\$55 (\$40 for under 12)

* All competitors dancing in Competition Events on Saturday are required to purchase a Saturday Evening Events ticket.

Group Flights

	<u>Price</u>
❖ American, International, and Country (Per Dance) - Fewer than 10 Entries	\$30.00 incl GST
10 Entries and more	\$25.00 incl. GST
❖ Junior and Juveniles American, International, and Country (Per Dance) Fewer than 10 Entries	\$25.00 incl. GST
10 Entries and more	\$20.00 incl. GST

Solo Exhibitions

❖ American, International, and Country (Per Dance)	\$45.00 incl. GST
❖ Junior and Juveniles (Per Dance)	\$35.00 incl. GST

Multi-dance

❖ American, International, and Country (Per Entry)	\$45.00 incl. GST
❖ Junior and Juveniles	\$35.00 incl. GST

Open Multi-dance

❖ American, International	\$45.00 incl. GST
❖ Junior and Juveniles	\$35.00 incl. GST

Scholarship Rounds

❖ American, International, and Country	\$50.00 incl. GST
❖ Junior and Juveniles	\$45.00 incl. GST

Formation Teams

❖ Team members with competition packages do not need to purchase Day Passes.	
❖ Other members must pay the following:	
❖ Entry Fee (per team)	\$25.00 incl. GST
❖ Event Fee (per team)	\$45.00 incl. GST
❖ Day Pass (per team member)	\$20.00 incl. GST

Professional Showcase Competition

❖ Competitors must purchase Professional Package (per Professional; see above)	
❖ Event Fee Per Dance (participant may elect to perform up to two dances)	\$50.00 incl. GST

Professional Multi-dance Competition

❖ Competitors must purchase Professional Package (per Professional; see above)	
❖ Event Fee (per dance style)	\$50.00 incl. GST

Amateur Competitions

Amateur competitors must purchase a Saturday Evening Events* ticket to enter any of the Amateur Competition events.

❖ Entry Fee Per Category	\$30.00 incl. GST
❖ Entry Fee Per Category (17 and under)	\$25.00 incl. GST