

## DANCERS CONNECT RULES 2023

1. All competitors and other persons attending sessions at the **Dancers Connect** competition do so at their own risk.
2. The adjudicator's decision is final and no discussion will be entered into regarding any decisions. Carers and competitors are not to approach or speak with the adjudicator during the event.
3. Entries will only be accepted via the [comps-online.com.au](http://comps-online.com.au) website.
4. AGE DETERMINATION DATE: **1<sup>st</sup> January 2023**
5. FIVE Adjudicators awards will be presented at the end of the competition (see below). Competitors DO NOT need to pre-nominate to be eligible for one of these awards. To be eligible for an adjudicators award, a student must have performed in at least 2 Solo Dance sections and either 1 Solo Student Own Choreography or 1 Solo Improvisation section.
6. By entering our competition, you are agreeing to all aspects of social media promotion. Please contact us privately if you have any concerns regarding this BEFORE the competition has taken place. Any social media posts will not be removed if you contact us after the fact.
7. All routines have a time limit, which should be adhered to: Solos 3 mins (except song and dance solos 4 mins), Duos, Trios and Quads 3 mins and Student Own Choreography 3 mins. This is the MAXIMUM. Routines do not have a minimum time limit. Improvisation Solo music is chosen by the adjudicator and will be between 30-60 seconds.
8. NEW SECTION – SMALL GROUPS – The group can be from 4 to 12 performers. Own choreography in any style
9. We will be asking you to submit your music prior to the event. All information and instructions will be emailed to the email address on the entry. Upon arrival at the competition, you must still check in and double check your music at the music/check in desk.
10. If insufficient entries are received in a section, the organisers have the right to cancel or combine sections. They may also separate sections where there are an excessive number of entries. Any cancelled sections will be fully refunded.

11. **Dancers Connect** reserves the right to run up to 1 hour early and therefore it is a good idea to arrive early. **Dancers Connect** holds NO responsibility if you miss your event.
12. Unisex dressing spaces are available for all participants and competitors accompanied by supervising males. Anyone requiring special consideration for the use of the unisex dressing rooms must notify the organisers prior to the event. Photography and/or videoing is prohibited in dressing rooms.
13. Only officials and stagehands are allowed side stage during performances.
14. No prompting from side stage or audience, of competitors while performing on stage.
15. Adjudication sheets can be obtained from the check in table 15 mins after conclusion of a section. **Dancers Connect** will not mail out adjudication sheets if you fail to collect. You may have someone collect on your behalf if you are unable to.
16. Children and adults must remain still and quiet during the performances. Entry and exit will only be allowed between routines.
17. Entry fees are NON REFUNDABLE under any circumstances (except due to government restrictions). Submitting an entry for the **Dancers Connect** competition, confirms your acceptance that Solo's, Duo's, Trios, Quads and small groups can be scheduled at any time, during the advertised start and finish dates.
18. All persons entering the audience must secure an entry ticket before admittance is allowed.
19. The taking of Photographs by cameras, video cameras or mobile phone cameras of any performance is strictly forbidden in the audience. All routines will be recorded and available for sale.
20. The competition will not be responsible for any infringement of copyright or royalty by individual performers or persons associated with the performance.
21. Improvisations - ***The students will be in the dressing rooms where they cannot hear the music and called side stage one at a time. They will listen to the music once while the competitor before them is on stage performing, then they come on the stage and perform.***  
***No costumes allowed. Plain dancewear only.***

PREVENTION OF BULLYING POLICY STATEMENT – **Dancers Connect** expects that EVERYONE at our competition shall treat each other with respect and dignity, to provide a healthy environment that is cohesive and comfortable for ALL. The competition will NOT tolerate any bullying or harassment.

### **PRIZES AND TROPHIES**

#### **Solo, Duo, Trio sections** (including student own choreography and improvisations)

1<sup>st</sup> Place        Medals for each competitor

2<sup>nd</sup> Place        Medal for each competitor

3<sup>rd</sup> Place        Medal for each competitor

#### **Small group sections**

1<sup>st</sup> Place        Ribbon for each competitor

2<sup>nd</sup> Place        Ribbon for each competitor

3<sup>rd</sup> Place        Ribbon for each competitor

#### **Adjudicator's Awards**

7 & Under	Adjudicator's Choice Trophy + \$20 cash Adjudicator's Encouragement Award Medal
8 & 9 Years	Adjudicator's Choice Trophy + \$20 cash Adjudicator's Encouragement Award Medal
10 & 11 years	Adjudicator's Choice Trophy + \$20 cash Adjudicator's Encouragement Award Medal
12 & 13 years	Adjudicator's Choice Trophy +\$30 cash Adjudicator's Encouragement Award Medal
14 & 15 years	Adjudicator's Choice Trophy +\$50 cash Adjudicator's Encouragement Award Medal
16 years and over	Adjudicator's Choice Trophy +\$50 cash Adjudicator's Encouragement Award Medal

