



2024 Syllabus BRINDABELLA DANCE FESTIVAL

Adjudicator: Nathan Sheens

Competition Dates: Friday 27th September to Monday 7th October 2024
(Starting with troupes and ending with Open Age Championships and Open Class Award on the last day.)

Entries: Will be available on compsonline.com.au

Payment: Entries will not be accepted until full payment is made.

Closing date for entries: ***On or before** 30 June 2024 or until capacity is reached.*

***IMPORTANT:** It is the responsibility of the intended entrants to monitor entries and closing dates. **ENTRIES MAY CLOSE EARLY** updates will be made via our Facebook page. We encourage all intended entrants to like and follow our page for the most up to date information.*

No late entries will be accepted (notification of closed entries will be via the Brindabella Dance Festival Canberra Facebook page)

Refund Policy: Refunds will not be given unless the Committee **cancels** a section completely, or you qualify for a medical refund. Medical refunds require a doctor's certificate. A \$50 administration fee will be held, and the balance refunded.

This event may be cancelled or modified at any time without notice. The Brindabella Dance Festival Committee will take all steps necessary to ensure that the event is compliant with rules and guidelines issued by the ACT Government leading up to and at the time of the event.

Venue:

Erindale Theatre, McBryde Crescent, Wanniasa, CANBERRA



Rules:

Before completing an entry, please read the competition rules including our refund policy available on the Brindabella Dance Festival website. The rules contain information on the requirements to enter championships and definition of dance styles as per sections below.

Age:

Soloists - Age is as at first day of competition being 27th September 2024

Duo/Trio – Age is the age of the eldest performer as of 27th September 2024

Groups/Troupes – Age is the age of the eldest performer as at 1 January 2024

Date of birth must be registered at the time of entry. All competitors must be prepared to provide proof of age upon request by the Brindabella Dance Festival Committee.

Payment:

Payments to be made at time of entry via on-line entry system

Music Upload:

Must be uploaded no later than **27th August 2024**, via the on-line music upload system. Music is the responsibility of the ENTRANT. Music must be checked by the entrant and ensure they have uploaded correctly. NO Music NO dance.

Age Groups:

6 YEARS AND UNDER	Must be 6 years old or younger
8 YEARS AND UNDER	Must be 8 years old or younger
10 YEARS AND UNDER	Must be 10 years old or younger
12 YEARS AND UNDER	Must be 12 years old or younger
14 YEARS AND UNDER	Must be 14 years old or younger
15 YEARS AND OLDER (Prev Open Age*)	Must be school aged and no older than 18 years as at 1st January 2024.
18 YEARS AND OLDER	Must be 18 years or older, can be a full-time dance student, open to mature aged dancers who have left secondary schooling and wish to compete.
ADDITIONAL NEEDS	Any age



Entry Fees:

Solos	\$28.00 per entry
Improvisations	\$20.00 per entry
Duos/Trios	\$45.00 per entry
Championships	\$65.00 per entry
Entertainment Award	\$65.00 per entry
Groups/Troupes	\$65.00 per entry
Competitor Fee Includes administration and electronic copy of program, 2x spectator passes to solo/duo/impro/champs only. additional cleaning, sanitising, staffing and venue costs (does not include music upload or APRA/AMCOS fee, this will be added at time of entry based on APRA/AMCOS fee requirements)	\$50.00 per soloist/duo/trio

Time Limits:

6 years and under solo	2:30 Minutes
All other age group solo	3:00 Minutes
Student Choreography	2:00 Minutes
Song and Dance (50/50)	4:00 Minutes
Groups/Troupe – all ages	5:00 Minutes
Variety Production Groups/Troupes	10:00 Minutes

Prizes:

Prizes awarded are subject to the number of performers in each section

6 years and under solo	Trophy/Medal/Ribbon
8 years and under solo	Trophy/Medal/Ribbon
10 years and under solo	Trophy/Medal/Ribbon
12 years and under solo	Trophy/Medal/Ribbon
14 years and under solo	Cash Prizes or award prize
15 years and over solo	Cash Prizes or award prize
18 years and over solo	Cash Prizes or award prize
Championships (age groups 14 and over)	Cash Prizes or award prizes
Championships (age groups 12 and younger)	Trophy/Medal/Ribbon
Troupes – All age groups	Cash Prizes

Special Awards

Cariba Heine Award	Most Theatrical Dancer (Adjudicators Choice)
Matt Papa Award	Most Promising Tap Dancer (Adjudicators Choice)
Most Promising Baby (6 years and under)	Adjudicators Choice - awarded at end of age



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Updates: [facebook.com/brindabelladancefestivalcanberra](https://www.facebook.com/brindabelladancefestivalcanberra)

New Opportunity Added

Open Class Award: Brindabella Dance Festival is excited to trial a new addition this year, where we will accept entries for an “Open Class Award”

The class will be open to ALL dancers with no prerequisites or additional performance required to participate. Depending on numbers may be split into a Jnr and Snr class.

The class will be presented by a local teacher that is TBA and Adjudicated by Mr Nathan Sheens.

This section is intended to be in an audition style format. Dancers will be assessed on their class etiquette, presentation, ability to learn and perform the choreography and class content as well as their potential & technical execution.

The class is intended to be theatrical based however this may change.

A winner and 2 runners up will be selected from this class for award/s.

In addition to class, we intend to have tickets for sale for seating at the rear of theatre for SILENT spectating by interested parents.

This opportunity is dependent on numbers for its success and may be cancelled and refunded if quota not met.

You can enter this section in comps online.



Championship Rules

6.1 CLASSICAL BALLET CHAMPIONSHIPS

CLASSICAL BALLET CHAMPIONSHIP - 12U, 14U & 15O

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

- i. **Open Classical Ballet, and**
- ii. **Any One (1)** of the following sections:
 - a. Open Demi Character,
 - b. Open National Character; **and**
- iii. a **ballet improvisation** section

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform two solos; a Demi-Character and then a Classical.

Only one item may be repeated. A change of costume and/or music does not constitute a change of routine.

CLASSICAL BALLET CHAMPIONSHIP – 10U

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

- i. **Open Classical Ballet, and**
- ii. **Any One (1)** of the following sections:
 - a. Open Demi Character,
 - b. Open National Character;
 - c. Open Lyrical **and**
- iii. a **ballet improvisation** section

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform one solo being either a Classical, Demi-Character.

Your championship routine can be repeated in this age group.

CLASSICAL BALLET CHAMPIONSHIP – 8U

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

- i. **Any One (1)** of the following sections
 - a. Open Classical Ballet
 - b. Open Demi-Character,
 - c. Open Lyrical, **and**
- ii. One (1) **Any Style improvisation** section.

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform one solo being a Classical Ballet, or a Demi-Character.

Your Championship Routine can be repeated in this age group.



6.2 TAP CHAMPIONSHIP 12U, 14U & 150

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

- i. **Any Two (2)** of the following sections:
 - a. Open Slow Tap,
 - b. Open Waltz Tap,
 - c. Open Fast Tap; **and**
- ii. A **tap improvisation** section

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform two solos, dance A being a slow or waltz routine and dance B is a fast or speed tap.

One item may be repeated. A change of costume and/or music does not constitute a change of routine.

6.3 JAZZ CHAMPIONSHIP 12U, 14U & 150

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

- i. **Any Two (2)** of the following sections:
 - a. Open Jazz,
 - b. Open Broadway Jazz,
 - c. Open Musical Theatre; **and**
- ii. A **jazz improvisation** section

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform two solos, dance A being a Broadway Jazz and Dance B being a Straight Jazz routine.

One item may be repeated. A change of costume and/or music does not constitute a change of routine.



6.4 CONTEMPORARY/LYRICAL CHAMPIONSHIP 12U, 14U & 15O

- i. **Any Two (2)** of the following sections:
 - a. Open Contemporary,
 - b. Open Lyrical; **and**
- ii. A **lyrical** improvisation section; **and**
- iii. A **Contemporary** improvisation section.

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform two solos, Dance A will be a Contemporary and dance B the Lyrical.

One item may be repeated. A change of costume and/or music does not constitute a change of routine.

6.5 ENTERTAINMENT CHAMPIONSHIPS

ENTERTAINMENT CHAMPIONSHIP – 12U, 14U & 15O (NO REPEAT DANCE)

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

- i. **Open Broadway or Open Musical Theatre, and**
- ii. **Any One (1)** of the following sections:
 - a. Open Jazz,
 - b. Open Tap,
 - c. Open Hip-Hop,
 - d. Open Acrobatics
 - e. Open Song and Dance
 - f. Open Song and Tap; **and**
- iii. **Any Two (2) of the following Improv sections:**
 - a. Jazz
 - b. Tap
 - c. Hip-Hop

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform one solo ***of high entertainment value***, not previously performed. Dance styles can be Broadway Jazz, Musical Theatre, Fast Tap, Acrobatics, Hip Hop, Contemporary, Student Choreography, Demi-Character or Song and Dance (any style). **Straight Jazz, Classical, Lyrical and National Character routines cannot be performed in this section.**

The entertainment championship section will be adjudicated on entertainment value and originality.



ENTERTAINMENT CHAMPIONSHIP – 10/UNDER (REPEAT DANCE PERMITTED)

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

i. **Any two (2)** of the following sections:

- a. Open Jazz,
- b. Open Broadway Jazz,
- c. Open Musical Theatre,
- d. Open Fast Tap; **and**

iii. **Any one (1) of the following Improv sections:**

- a. Jazz
- b. Tap
- c. Hip-Hop

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform one solo ***of high entertainment value***, (repeat dance permitted for 10/u and 8/u performers). Dance styles can be Broadway Jazz, Musical Theatre, Fast Tap, Acrobatics, Hip Hop, Contemporary, Student Choreography, Demi-Character or Song and Dance (any style). **Straight Jazz, Classical, Lyrical and National Character routines cannot be performed in this section.**

The entertainment championship section will be adjudicated on entertainment value and originality.

ENTERTAINMENT CHAMPIONSHIP – 8/UNDER (REPEAT DANCE PERMITTED)

To qualify, competitors must perform in:

i. **Any One (1)** of the following sections:

- a. Open Jazz,
- b. Open Broadway Jazz,
- c. Open Song & dance
- d. Open Tap; **and**

iii. the **Any Style Improvisation section.**

On Championship Day:

Competitors will be required to perform one solo ***of high entertainment value***, (repeat dance permitted for 10/u and 8/u performers). Dance styles can be Broadway Jazz, Musical Theatre, Fast Tap, Acrobatics, Hip Hop, Contemporary, Student Choreography, Demi-Character or Song and Dance (any style). **Straight Jazz, Classical, Lyrical and National Character routines cannot be performed in this section.**

The entertainment championship section will be adjudicated on entertainment value and originality



Solo Sections

6 years and under solo

Song and Dance	Ballet (classical or demi)
Tap	Jazz
Lyrical	Jnr Open Class Award (Max age 12 yrs)

8 years and under solo

Restricted Classical ballet	Open Classical Ballet
Restricted Demi Character	Open Demi Character
Restricted Lyrical	Open Lyrical
Restricted Fast Tap	Open Fast Tap
Restricted Jazz	Open Jazz
Restricted Song and Dance	Open Song and Dance
Restricted/Open Slow Tap	Restricted/Open Hip Hop
Restricted/Open Broadway	Additional Needs any style
Entertainment Championship	Ballet Championship
Jnr Open Class Award (max age 12yrs)	

10 years and under solo

Restricted Classical Ballet	Open Classical Ballet
Restricted Demi Character	Open Demi Character
Restricted Fast Tap	Open Fast Tap
Restricted Slow Tap	Open Slow Tap
Restricted Jazz	Open Jazz
Restricted Lyrical	Open Lyrical
Restricted Contemporary	Open Contemporary
Restricted National Character	Open National Character
Restricted Song and Tap	Open Song and Tap
Restricted Song and Soft Shoe	Open Song and Soft Shoe
Restricted/Open Waltz Tap	Restricted/Open Broadway Jazz
Restricted/Open Hip Hop	Student Choreography
Additional Needs any style	Improvisation – Classical
Improvisation – Lyrical	Improvisation – Tap
Improvisation – Jazz	Improvisation – Hip Hop
Entertainment Championship	Ballet Championship
Jnr Open Class Award (Max Age 12yrs)	



12 years and under solo

Restricted Classical Ballet	Open Classical Ballet
Restricted Demi Character	Open Demi Character
Restricted Fast Tap	Open Fast Tap
Restricted Slow Tap	Open Slow Tap
Restricted Jazz	Open Jazz
Restricted Lyrical	Open Lyrical
Restricted Contemporary	Open Contemporary
Restricted National Character	Open National Character
Restricted Song and Tap	Open Song and Tap
Restricted Song and Soft Shoe	Open Song and Soft Shoe
Restricted Waltz Tap	Open Waltz Tap
Restricted Broadway Jazz	Open Broadway Jazz
Restricted/Open Hip Hop	Restricted/Open Acrobatics
Student Choreography	Additional needs any style
Improvisation – Classical	Improvisation – Tap
Improvisation – Jazz	Improvisation – Lyrical
Improvisation – Contemporary	Improvisation – Hip Hop
Jazz/Broadway Championship	Tap Championship
Ballet Championship	Lyrical/Contemporary Championship
Entertainment Championship	
Jnr Open Class award (Max Age 12yrs)	

14 years and under solo

Restricted Classical Ballet	Open Classical Ballet
Restricted Demi Character	Open Demi Character
Restricted Fast Tap	Open Fast Tap
Restricted Slow Tap	Open Slow Tap
Restricted Jazz	Open Jazz
Restricted Lyrical	Open Lyrical
Restricted Contemporary	Open Contemporary
Restricted National Character	Open National Character
Restricted Song and Tap	Open Song and Tap
Restricted Song and Soft Shoe	Open Song and Soft Shoe
Restricted Waltz Tap	Open Waltz Tap
Restricted Broadway Jazz	Open Broadway Jazz
Restricted Hip Hop	Open Hip Hop
Restricted Acrobatics	Open Acrobatics
Student Choreography	Additional needs any style
Improvisation – Classical	Improvisation – Tap
Improvisation – Jazz	Improvisation – Lyrical
Improvisation – Contemporary	Improvisation – Hip Hop
Jazz/Broadway Championship	Tap Championship
Ballet Championship	Lyrical/Contemporary Championship
Entertainment Championship	
Snr Open Class Award (Max Age 18 yrs)	



15 years and over solo (as per above definition)

Restricted Classical Ballet	Open Classical Ballet
Restricted Demi Character	Open Demi Character
Restricted Fast Tap	Open Fast Tap
Restricted Slow Tap	Open Slow Tap
Restricted Jazz	Open Jazz
Restricted Lyrical	Open Lyrical
Restricted Contemporary	Open Contemporary
Restricted National Character	Open National Character
Restricted Song & Tap	Open Song and Tap
Restricted Song and Soft Shoe	Open Song and Soft Shoe
Restricted Waltz Tap	Open Waltz Tap
Restricted Broadway Jazz	Open Broadway Jazz
Restricted Hip Hop	Open Hip Hop
Restricted Acrobatics	Open Acrobatics
Student Choreography	Additional needs any style
Improvisation – Classical	Improvisation – Tap
Improvisation – Jazz	Improvisation – Lyrical
Improvisation – Contemporary	Improvisation – Hip Hop
Jazz/Broadway Championship	Tap Championship
Ballet Championship	Lyrical/Contemporary Championship
Entertainment Championship	
Snr Open Class Award Max Age 18 yrs	

18 years and over (as above age definition)

Classical Ballet /Demi Character	Hip Hop
Contemporary	Jazz
Lyrical	Tap
Broadway	Any style



Duo/Trio Sections

8 years and under duo/trio

Classical Ballet	Musical Theatre/Song & Dance	Lyrical
Student Choreography	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	Additional Needs

10 years and under duo/trio

Classical Ballet	Musical Theatre/Song & Dance	Lyrical
Student Choreography	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	Additional Needs

12 years and under duo/trio

Classical Ballet	Musical Theatre/Song & Dance	Lyrical
Student Choreography	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	Acrobatics
Additional Needs		

14 years and under duo/trio

Classical Ballet	Musical Theatre/Song & Dance	Lyrical
Student Choreography	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	Acrobatics
Additional Needs		

15 years and over duo/trio

Classical Ballet	Musical Theatre/Song & Dance	Lyrical
Student Choreography	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	Acrobatics
Additional Needs		



Group/Troupe Sections

6 years and under Groups/Troupes

Classical Ballet /Demi Character	Musical Theatre/Song & Dance	Lyrical
Jazz	Tap	Hip Hop

8 years and under Groups/Troupes

Classical Ballet	Musical Theatre/Song & Dance	Lyrical
Demi Character	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	

10 years and under Groups/Troupes

Classical Ballet	Song and Dance	Lyrical
Demi Character	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	Broadway/Musical Theatre

12 years and under Groups/Troupes

Classical Ballet	Song and Dance	Lyrical
Demi Character	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	National Character
Broadway/Musical Theatre	Acrobatics	

14 years and under Groups/Troupes

Classical Ballet	Song and Dance	Lyrical
Demi Character	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	National Character
Broadway/Musical Theatre	Acrobatics	Production/Variety

15 years and over Groups/Troupes

Classical Ballet	Song and Dance	Lyrical
Demi Character	Contemporary	Hip Hop
Tap	Jazz	National Character
Broadway/Musical Theatre	Acrobatics	Production/Variety

18 years and over Group/Troup

Classical/Demi Ballet	Contemporary	Lyrical
Jazz/Broadway/Musical Theatre	Tap	Hip Hop

Additional Needs

Jazz	Hip Hop	Any style
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