

UTAH CLASSIC

February 16-17, 2024 Mountain Crest High School Hyrum, Utah

GENERAL INFO

Please read all the following information carefully. Feel free to call or e-mail if you have questions. We are looking forward to having your dancers participate in this competition.

REGISTRATION INFO for SYLLABUS and OPEN EVENTS

Deadline: Feb 4. Late fee \$5/dancer begins Feb 5.

Coaches: Please enter the total number of couples for each event on this form:

UC Coach Syllabus Entries

Dancers: Use this form to register independent of a team for Syllabus and for all Open Events:

UC Open Registration

TEAM REGISTRATION. Team entry fee is \$50/routine. Payments: PayPal, check, Venmo

Deadline: Feb 4

Teams are limited to 2 entries each. Register here: <u>UC Team Registration</u>

COMPETITORS

Admission: \$5/Competitor

Entry Fees

Syllabus only: \$10/competitor Open only: \$10/competitor Syllabus + Open: \$20/competitor

Pee Wee: \$6/competitor

SPECTATOR ADMISSION

\$8 Pre-Purchase

\$10 At the door

\$30 Family pass Pre-Purchase, immediate family only

\$35 At the door

Children 6 & under are free.

SCHEDULE (Tentative. The final will be set after registration closes)

FRIDAY 10:00 – 12:00 am PT Syllabus, Jr Open

12:00 – 4:00 pm PT & Jr Teams

5:00 – 8:00pm Jr Syllabus & PT Open

7:00 – 9:00 pm Solo Cabaret

SATURDAY 8:00 am - 2:00 pm Youth Teams

3:00 – 7:00 pm Youth Syllabus 8:00 – 11:00 pm Youth Open

COMPETITOR RULES

1. Couples may only enter syllabus events in their own age category, as determined by the oldest partner Age Category Definitions Pee-Wee: Competitors who are age 9 and younger.

Pre-Teen: Competitors who are age 10, 11, or 12 or in 6th grade or under

Junior: Competitors who are 13, 14, or 15, or in grades 7, 8, 9

Youth: Competitors who are age 16, 17, or 18, or in grades 10, 11, 12

The only exception to this rule is for dancers who are actual members of two teams in different age categories. *For example*, a Pre-Teen who is dancing on both a Pre-Teen team and a Jr. team may compete with members of their team in syllabus events in that age category.

- 2. **PLEASE NOTE:** Couples may enter only ONE level per style in the Open Competitions. For example: Competitors may enter either Novice or Open Standard not both. Juniors may choose to dance either Junior or Youth in the open events, but they may not enter both. Pre-Teens dancing in open may choose to dance in either the Junior or Pre-Teen open events, but not both.
- 3. Pre-Teen age couples that are 9 or younger must choose either Pee Wee or Pre-Teen. They may not enter both categories. Pee Wee is not designed for those couples that are dancing on Pre-Teen teams but are still 9 years old.
- 4. Couples should enter at their proficiency level. Beginners should enter Bronze, intermediate should enter Silver, and advanced should enter Gold. Couples who enter below their proficiency will be disqualified.
- 5. Couples may enter only one syllabus level per dance. For example: dancers entering bronze cha cha may not enter silver cha cha.
- 6. No competitor may dance the Newcomer events if they have danced more than one year (12 months) as an individual regardless of partnership. No couples dancing in open events may enter the newcomer category regardless of how long they have danced. (Coaches may use discretion with this rule if certain dancers would be better served by staying in newcomer an additional year).
- 7. The Novice category in Open events will be restricted to dancers who are in their first or second year of open competition, regardless of partnership. This counts open competition in any age category.
- 8. Any couples or individuals who display inappropriate or suggestive movement, gestures, or behavior while on or off the dance floor will receive one warning and then be disqualified upon a repeat offense.
- 9. Any competitor who wears a costume deemed by the organizer to be unsuitable will be requested to change. If such a request is not followed, the competitor will be disqualified.

COSTUME AND DRESS CODE RULES FOR COMPETITORS

SYLLABUS EVENTS (Newcomer, Bronze, Silver, Gold)

<u>Boys - all ages</u>: Button-up white dress or tux shirt, dark tie, dark dress pants or Latin pants and dark shoes. Optional solid black cummerbund, vest, or suspenders are allowed

<u>Girls - all ages*:</u> Black skirt to the knee or longer, black top. Top must not be sleeveless, sheer, low cut, nor show the midriff when arms are raised. Dance trunks required.

*Pee Wee girls are not required to wear black skirt and white top. They may wear a party dress.

OPEN EVENTS (Smooth, Rhythm, Standard, Latin, Cabaret)

<u>Pre-Teen/Junior/Youth Boys</u>: Costume appropriate to the style. Front may not be sheer.

<u>Pre-Teen/Junior/Youth Girls</u>: Costume appropriate to the style. Straps over both shoulders are required. Designs that show cleavage are not allowed. Lower backs must be covered from a point three inches above the waistline. Skirts may be broken or slitted from the trunk line down, but must cover the legs to mid-thigh when not in motion. Nude fabric in the bodice must be covered with stones.

ENTRY INFORMATION

Entry Guidelines

- 1. SYLLABUS LEVELS: Bronze is for beginners, Silver is for intermediate, and Gold is for advanced dancers.
- DANCING UP NOT ALLOWED: Couples may enter only one level in the same category. For example: couples entering bronze waltz may not enter silver waltz.
- 3. AGE: Couples may only enter syllabus events in their own age category (determined by the oldest partner).
- 4. **NEWCOMER**: those who have danced **less than 12 months**. Bronze syllabus.
- 5. **OPEN**: Couples may only enter one open event per style. For example: couples enter pre-champ or champ, but not both.
- 6. **OPEN COUPLES IN SYLLABUS:** Couples who dance open may not enter below gold or gold 2 in the same style. They may enter the bonus swing events.
- 7. **BONUS**: All couples may enter the bonus events. Bonus is restricted to syllabus figures.

UTAH CLASSIC 2024 DANCE CATEGORIES

Newcomer: restricted to bronze syllabus Bonus: bronze-gold syllabus allowed

Novice (open): Maximum 2 years open experience

Syllabus Dances: Pre-Teen/Junior/Youth

Am. Waltz

Am. Cha Cha

Quickstep

Paso Doble

Swing (pre-teen by syllabus level; Junior and Youth: Newcomer & Bonus)

Lindy (Youth Bonus dance)

Syllabus Levels

Pre-Teen: Newcomer, Bronze, Silver, Gold Junior: Bronze, Silver 1, Silver 2, Gold

Youth: Bronze, Silver 1, Silver 2, Gold 1, Gold 2

Open Dances & Entry Levels

PreTeen	<u>American</u>	Ballroom	Latin
	W/CC/Sw	W/T/Q	C/S/P

Junior & Youth

	Smooth	Rhythm	Ballroom	<u>Latin</u>
Novice*	W/T	C/SW	W/Q	S/R
Pre-Champ	W/T/F	C/R/SW	W/T/Q	C/S/R
Champ	W/T/F/VW	C/R/SW/M	W/T/VW/F/Q	C/S/R/P/J

^{*}Novice: restricted to couples in 1st or 2nd year of open competition regardless of partnership/style/age

TEAM COMPETITION GUIDELINES

Show Routines only

Each routine will be judged and given a score and rating.

Show Dance Categories.

- a) *Standard/Smooth:* American and International styles of Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, Viennese Waltz, and Quickstep. No more than 3 lifts permitted*.
- b) *Latin / Rhythm*: American or International styles of Cha Cha, Rumba, Samba, Paso Doble, Mambo, Bolero and also Polka, Salsa and Hustle. No more than 3 lifts permitted. Please enter Jive routines in the Swing category.
- c) Swing: West Coast Swing, East Coast Swing, Lindy, Lifts permitted
- d) *Cabaret:* a routine with more than three lifts*.
- e) **Novelty**: must be 30% recognizable ballroom figures.

Age Levels

Note: for teams with mixed ages, please use the average age of the team (add up the ages and divide by how many team members).

Pee Wee age 9 and under Pre Teen age 12 and under

Junior ages 13 - 15 or grades 7 - 9Youth ages 16 - 18 or grades 10 - 12

Proficiency Levels – Divisions. The teams will enter a proficiency level determined by the following criteria: (Same as Gem State).

- a) the average years of experience of each team member, AND
- b) hours of rehearsal (including technique instruction) per week as follows:

YOUTH

Division 1: Total of averages: 10 + Division 2: Total of averages: 6 - 9.9 Division 3: Total of averages: < 5.9

JUNIOR

Division 1: Total of averages: 6 +Division 2: Total of averages ≤ 5.9

PRE-TEEN

Division 1: Total of averages: 3 +

Division 2: Total of averages: 2.9 or less

For additional information, please contact:

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^{*}lift exception for waltzes: 20% of the measures can be in assisted lift position (both feet off the ground for more than 1 count).