



CSBS CHOREOGRAPHY COMPETITION RULES

ENTRY

1. Entry forms must be completed and handed in one week before the competition. Late entries may not be accepted.
2. The competition is only open to students from Central Scotland Ballet School.
3. Competitors can only make a single Solo entry in each category.
4. An individual can enter as part of any number of different groups or duets in each category.
5. Age groups may be altered according to the number of entries in each category.
6. Duets and groups will be in an age-group based on their average age.

TIME LIMITS / MUSIC

1. Demonstration routines (under 6s) must not exceed 1 minute.
2. Dances in all 6-11 age groups must not exceed 1 minute 30 seconds.
3. Solo and duet dances in 12+ age groups must not exceed 1 minute 40 seconds.
4. Group dances in all 12+ age groups must not exceed 1 minute 45 seconds.
5. The music may be stopped should it exceed the time limit, or points deducted.
6. Music must be cut to the correct length and presented on a CD or iPod.
7. If music is presented on a phone, it must be in flight mode and have the music ready to play.
8. Music must not contain explicit or suggestive lyrics. Parents must check their child's music before the competition. Music may be stopped if it is considered inappropriate.

COSTUME AND GROOMING

1. Competitors should be properly attired and groomed for dancing with appropriate footwear and hairstyle. Elaborate costumes are not required.
2. Costumes should be age appropriate and cover underwear.
3. Props are allowed but must be safely cleared from the floor after your performance.

ACROBATIC DANCE CATEGORY

1. In the interest of safety, competitors should not attempt tricks which they have not been trained to perform.
2. A CSBS specialist Acrobatics teacher will join the judging panel for the acro section.
Note: acrobatic technique differs from gymnastics.

POINTE CATEGORY

1. In the interest of safety, only students currently studying pointe work with CSBS are eligible to enter this category.

MUSICAL THEATRE CATEGORY

1. Routines must include both live singing and dance.
2. Routines missing a dance element will have points deducted.
3. Backing tracks must not include lead vocals.
4. The category will be performed without microphone amplification.

PHOTOGRAPHY / RECORDING

1. In the interest of child welfare, no photographic or recording equipment is allowed in the changing areas.
2. Parents are allowed to photograph or video their own children but must not stand on the dance floor or distract the dancers or judges.
3. No flash photography.
4. CSBS will record the entire event for archives. Photos may be used for publicity.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES

1. Certificates will be presented to competitors at the end of each dance style section.
2. All competitors are expected to stay to the end of the competition for the prize giving and to congratulate other competitors.
3. The independent adjudicators' decision is final. Additional medals may be presented in sections at the discretion of the judging panel.
4. Judges will award the "Millennium Trophy" for best overall.
5. Judges will award the "Spirit of the Dance" trophy to the competitor who demonstrates the most musicality, enjoyment and performance.
6. Judges will award additional trophies for the highest scores in each section.
7. The 'Best Newcomer' trophy will be awarded to a dancer who has not previously participated in a CSBS choreography competition.

OTHER

1. The Millennium Trophy winner will perform a solo in at least one of the CSBS annual dance displays at the discretion of CSBS.
2. At the discretion of CSBS staff, other dances may be selected for community performances throughout the year. Winning a medal or trophy does not mean gaining a solo performance.
3. Competitors must show courtesy, support and respect to all the other competitors and their friends/family. *(see also: CSBS Behaviour policy)*
4. Audience members must show courtesy, support and respect to their child, and all other competitors and their friends/family. *(see also: CSBS Behaviour policy)*