



Helpful Hints

Rules, Regulations & Guidelines

Hotel Rooms @ Boston Marriott Newton, Newton MA 2345 Commonwealth Avenue, Auburndale, MA 02466 May be booked directly with the hotel. Call (617) 969-1000. Or book online at <https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1568128398295&key=GRP&app=resvlink>. Our discounted room rate is \$129+tax. Rooms must be booked by 5:00 p.m. on April 8, 2020 to receive the discounted rate.

All participants must sign the **Release Form**. For participants under 18, please list the participant and then have Parent or Guardian print and sign on the following line.

Patriot Dance Festival is an NDCA (National Dance Council of America) recognized event. All participants are bound by the rules and regulations of the NDCA. To view these rules, go to www.ndca.org and click on "registration and rules."

Daytime Admission Tickets \$20/person. Admission is free for Juniors (18 and under).

Evening Dinner Dance Tickets \$90/person. Please indicate dinner preference (Chicken, Fish, Vegetarian) on the Summary Order Form. No refunds can be given for dinner tickets. If you must cancel and we have a waiting list, we will do our best to place your ticket.

Solo and Exhibitions. Maximum length 2:30. Music should be emailed to the organizer in MP3 format by April 10, 2020. In addition please bring a thumb drive in MP3 format at least 30 minutes prior to their performance so we have backup.

All non-scholarship entries:

Students may enter a maximum of two adjacent Closed Event Levels in any style, plus the appropriate Open Event Level. (Example: a student may dance the Pre-Bronze, Intermediate-Bronze, and Open Bronze in any given style.)

Adults may dance in their Age Category and, if they are over 31, in younger (but not Junior or Youth) Age Categories. Junior and Youth competitors may dance in their Age category and one Age Category older. Competitors 16 – 18 may dance both Youth and A1.

All Closed Events will be invigilated. We strongly suggest reading the NDCA rules for this. Open Events allow for students to have more choreographic freedom and are not invigilated.

All scholarship entries:

Students may not enter more than one Closed Scholarship Level in any style.

Students may dance Scholarships at different levels in different styles.

Students may dance Scholarships in multiple Age Categories at the same level.

Students must enter the Scholarship level of the highest single dance entry level that they have danced in that particular style.

Students must dance at least as many single dance entries as the number of dances in the Scholarship Events they choose to enter. Please note that Multi-Dance categories do not fulfill the single dance entry requirement.

Deadline, Payment, Cancellation

Deadline is April 10, 2020.

Personal, Studio, or Cashier's Check; Money Order accepted.

Late entries will be subject to a \$50/person charge and must be paid by Cashier's Check or Money Order.

All requests for changes or cancellations must be made in writing on or before April 17, 2020. Refunds, subject to a \$50/person processing fee, will be made by April 30, 2020.