

United States Dance ChampionshipsSM

Open to the World • September 5th - 10th, 2022

Recognized by: The National Dance Council of America, Inc.

Pro/Am U.S. Open to the World

Rising Star Entry Form (Non-Scholarship)

Final Deadline for Entries: August 6th, 2022

Make checks payable to
American Ballroom Co. and mail to:
 P.O. Box 4507, Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274
 Telephone: (310) 544-4636 Fax: (310) 544-1736
 or visit www.UnitedStatesDanceChampionships.com

1. Fill in all requested information (please print or type). 2. Check the events you are entering, sign on reverse (required) and enclose your entry fee.

Leader: _____ Follower: _____
Pro | Student (please circle one) Pro | Student (please circle one)

Leader Registration #: _____ Follower Registration #: _____

Street Address: _____ Email : _____
☐ Check box if you want to be on the mailing list

City: _____ Telephone: _____

State or Country: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____

Late Fees: Postmark after August 6th - \$20 per person, after August 20th - \$50 per person.

U.S. OPEN TO THE WORLD PRO/AM RISING STAR COMPETITIONS PRO/AM RISING STAR EVENTS ARE UNISEX (LADIES & GENTS COMBINED) AND OPEN SYLLABUS

U.S. Open to the World Pro/Am Rising Star Events are open to students who have not placed in the Final of the U.S. Open Pro/Am Multidance Scholarships in any previous USDC. If you have, you are ineligible to compete in the same Rising Star Multidance Level, Style, and Age category in any following years at USDC.

Age Classifications: A(16-35) B(36-50) C(51+) **Age C may also dance in A & B; Age B may also dance in A*

Please refer to schedule for date and session time.

U.S. Open to the World Pro/Am Rising Star American Rhythm Competition (C/R/SW/B/MA) # _____ @\$250= _____
 A B C

Please refer to schedule for date and session time.

U.S. Open to the World Pro/Am Rising Star American Smooth Competition (W/T/F/VW) # _____ @\$200= _____
 A B C

Please refer to schedule for date and session time.

U.S. Open to the World Pro/Am Rising Star International Latin Competition (C/S/R/PD/I) # _____ @\$250= _____
 A B C

Please refer to schedule for date and session time.

U.S. Open to the World Pro/Am Rising Star International Ballroom Competition (W/T/VW/F/Q) # _____ @\$250= _____
 A B C

Admission Tickets - Please Use Admission Order Form

***All participants must be booked with the hotel and have their reservation associated with the United States Dance Championships. If your reservation is not designated as a United States Dance Championship reservation with the hotel, there will be an additional \$20 per entry fee. Please call the hotel directly at (407) 934-3000 and reference the United States Dance Championships to avoid the additional \$20 fee per entry.**

NOTE: Florida residents are exempt from this rule

No entry will be accepted without payment in full. Payment may be made with a certified check, money order (in U.S. Dollars) or with VISA, or MASTERCARD (form on reverse). A 4% administrative fee will be charged for all credit card payments.

→ Non USDC Room Rate Fee <small>(if applicable)</small>	\$
Event Fees	\$
Late Fees	\$
GRAND TOTAL DUE	\$
R# _____ PAYMENT	\$
BALANCE	\$

(over for release form & credit card authorization)

ACKNOWLEDGMENT AND ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY RELATING TO CORONAVIRUS/COVID-19

This Release, Liability Waiver and Indemnification Agreement (“Release”) is between American Ballroom Company, Inc. (“Company”) and _____ (“Releasor”). The novel coronavirus and the disease it causes known as COVID-19 (collectively, “COVID-19”) has been declared a worldwide pandemic by the World Health Organization. COVID-19 is extremely contagious and is believed to spread mainly from person-to-person contact. As a result, federal, state, and local governments and federal and state health agencies recommend social distancing and have, in many locations, prohibited the congregation of groups of people. The Company is committed to providing a safe experience for the United States Dance Championships (“Competition”). Although the Company is taking and has taken preventive measures to reduce the spread of COVID-19, risk cannot be eliminated and the Company cannot guarantee that the Releasor will not become infected with COVID-19. Releasor acknowledges that Releasor has a responsibility to take their own steps to promote safety in the Competition in a safe manner.

1. Release from Liability. Releasor, on Releasor’s own behalf and on behalf of Releasor’s heirs, assigns, successors, executors, and administrators (collectively, the “Releasing Parties”), hereby fully releases, indemnifies and holds Company and W.D. Eng, Inc., along with their respective affiliates, predecessors, successors, parents, subsidiaries, representatives, consultants, contractors, releasors, directors, officers, clients, licensees, assigns, and/or agents, as well as any fellow competitors (collectively, the “Released Parties”) harmless, forever and unconditionally, from any claim, loss, cost, injury, or damage (including without limitation attorneys’ fees and related costs), in law or equity, known or unknown, existing or claimed to exist (each, a “Claim”) that arises out of or relates to Releasor’s exposure to or infection by COVID-19 arising out of and/or related to the Competition, including but not limited to travel to/from the venue, accommodation, training for or participation in the Competition or any Company-sanctioned activity, use of any of the Company’s equipment or facilities and/or using any equipment or facilities rented or leased by the Company.

2. Acknowledgement and Assumption of Risk. Releasor acknowledges the contagious nature of COVID-19 and voluntarily assumes the risk that Releasor may be exposed to or infected by COVID-19 arising out of and/or related to the Competition, including but not limited to travel to/from the venue, accommodation, training for and participation in the Competition or any Company-sanctioned activity, use of the Company’s equipment or facilities and/or using any equipment or facilities rented or leased by the Company and that such exposure or infection may result in personal injury, illness, permanent disability, and death. Releasor understands that the risk of becoming exposed to or infected by COVID-19 may result from the actions, omissions, or negligence of Releasor’s own acts or those of others. Releasor assumes full responsibility for any loss, damage or personal injury, illness or disability

including death, that Releasor may sustain as a result thereof, whether caused by the negligence of any of the Released Parties or otherwise, including without limitation as a result of negligent emergency operations. Releasor hereby represents and warrants that, to the best of Releasor’s actual or constructive knowledge, there is no reason, medical or otherwise, that would make any such participation or use unusually hazardous for Releasor personally. Releasor voluntarily agrees to assume all of the foregoing risks and accept sole responsibility for any personal or economic claim, liability or loss of any kind to Releasor (including, but not limited to, loss, damage, personal injury, illness or disability including death) that Releasor may experience or incur in connection with Releasor’s relationship with Company (collectively, “Claims”). Releasor hereby releases, discharges, and hold harmless the Released Parties of and from the Claims, including all liabilities, claims actions, damages, costs or expenses of any kind arising out of or relating thereto. Releasor understands and agrees that this Release includes any Claims based on the actions, omissions, or negligence of the Released Parties, whether a COVID-19 infection occurs before, during, or after Releasor’s participation in the Competition.

3. Medical Consent/Treatment. Releasor hereby consents to be tested for COVID-19 at any time throughout the Competition (including pre- and post-). In the event of an emergency, Releasor hereby authorizes Company to secure from any licensed hospital, physician, or licensed medical personnel any treatment deemed reasonable and necessary for Releasor’s immediate care. Releasor agrees that Releasor will be responsible for payment of any and all medical services rendered.

4. Covenant Not to Sue. Releasor agrees, on behalf of Releasor and all the Releasing Parties, not to sue the Released Parties or initiate or assist in the prosecution of any Claim for damages or cause of action against the Released Parties which Releasor or the Releasing Parties may have as a result of any personal injury, death or damage the Releasor may sustain due to COVID-19 arising out of and/or related to the Competition, including but not limited to travel to/from the venue, accommodation, training for or participation in the Competition or any Company-sanctioned activity, use of any of the Company’s equipment or facilities and/or using any equipment or facilities rented or leased by the Company.

5. Indemnification. Releasor hereby agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Released Parties from and against any third party losses, damages, actions, suits, claims, judgments, settlements, awards, interest, penalties, expenses (including reasonable attorneys’ fees) and costs of any kind for any personal injury, loss of life or damage due to COVID-19 sustained by reason of or arising out of and/or related to the Competition, including but not limited to travel to/from the venue, accommodation, training for or participation in the Competition or any Company-sanctioned activity, use

of any of the Company’s equipment or facilities and/or using any equipment or facilities rented or leased by the Company

6. Binding Effect. It is Releasor’s express intent that this Release bind Releasor’s family members, spouse, heirs, assigns, personal representatives, and anyone else entitled to act on Releasor’s behalf to the extent that any such individual is actually acting on the Releasor’s behalf. This Release is deemed as a release, waiver, discharge and covenant not to sue the Released Parties.

7. Governing Law and Venue. Releasor covenants and agrees that this Release shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the State of Florida and that any mediation, suit, or other proceeding relating to this Release and any activities covered hereby must be filed or entered into only in the Federal or State courts located within Orange County, Florida.

8. Severability. Any portion of this Release deemed unlawful or unenforceable is severable and shall be stricken without any effect on the enforceability of the remaining portions hereof and/or this Release as a whole to the full extent authorized by law.

9. Waiver. No waiver of any term or right in this Release shall be effective unless in writing, signed by an authorized representative of the waiving party. The failure of any party to enforce any provision of this Release shall not be construed as a waiver or modification of such provision, or impairment of its right to enforce such provision or any other provision of this Release thereafter.

10. Releasor Acknowledgement. Releasor acknowledges and agrees that the Releasor has read and fully understands this Release and understands that the Releasor has given up substantial rights by signing it. Releasor acknowledges and agrees that Releasor has been advised by Company to consult with their own attorneys concerning the terms hereof. Releasor certifies that Releasor has reached the age of majority, has signed under Releasor’s own free will, and is not suffering under any legal duress (including without limitation undue influence or coercion to sign) or other disabilities. Releasor understands that this signed release will be retained in his Releasor personnel file by Company.

11. Entire Agreement; Modification. This Release is the entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof and supersedes any prior agreement or communications between the parties, whether written, oral, electronic, or otherwise. No change, modification, amendment, or addition of or to this Release shall be valid unless in writing and signed by authorized representatives of the parties. This Release shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the successors, assigns, and legal representatives of the parties.

By executing where indicated below, Releasor hereby accepts the terms hereof in their entirety as of the date set forth below.

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Printed Name: _____

Date: _____

RELEASE AND AUTHORIZATION

Event Dates: September 5th - 10th, 2022

“In consideration of all goods and valuables, receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned hereby irrevocably give and grant to American Ballroom Company the right to use, refer to and reproduce programs by means of video tape recordings (hereinafter referred to as “reproductions”), edited and arranged as you desire, using my name, voice, likeness, acts, poses, appearances and utterances as part of and in connection with my appearance on any program, and in any advertising, publicity and promotion in relation to your activities, the program and the products or services of any sponsor(s) thereof; and to exhibit, transmit, distribute, and otherwise use same as you desire in all fields and media throughout the world without limitations.

We agree that American Ballroom Company, Inc., any of their affiliates, subsidiaries and employees shall be free of any liability or claims arising from the production, exhibition, transmission, distribution or use of said programs.

All reproductions shall be your sole and exclusive property. We hereby forever release and discharge you of any and all liabilities, claims and demands, suit and actions which we ever had, now have, or may have based upon any agreements herein made. We shall defend, indemnify and hold you harmless from and against any and all claims, demands, losses, suits and expenses relating to this agreement. We agree that we have not and shall not accept any money or other valuable consideration for the inclusion in the program of any matter promoting any product or service.

This agreement is intended, among other things, to fulfill all requirements of the Civil Rights Law and of any and all other restrictions against violations of our so-called right of privacy.

The terms “you and your” and words of similar import, as herein used shall include you and your officers, directors, licensees, lessees, assigns, successors, affiliates, associates, subsidiaries and parents, and all other users of the reproductions, and their employees.

We warrant that we are over eighteen (18) years of age, or are the parents of Junior competitors, and have full right, power and authority to make this agreement. We understand that permitting us to appear on the program, you are acting in reliance upon this agreement.”

No responsibility for loss or theft of articles left in Changing Rooms, Ballrooms or Hotel Rooms can be accepted by the Organizer, or by the National Dance Council of America, Inc., and neither can they be held liable for injury sustained by persons attending this event. Everyone attending does so at his or her own risk.

All persons attending this event, whether as spectators, competitors, officials, or guests of the organizer, shall be bound by the National Dance Council of America, Inc. rules, and by participating in this event automatically become obligated to adhere to them.

REFUND POLICY: Please read policy regarding entry refunds contained in the syllabus.

TOP TEACHER PRIZE MONEY: Please go to www.unitedstatesdancechampionships.com for the most current prize money & qualifications.

► For Complete Rules & Regulations visit www.UnitedStatesDanceChampionships.com

We have read the Television and Loss Release and agree to its conditions. We have also read the Additional Rules for this competition and the refund policy listed in the official syllabus and agree to abide by these rules in addition to all NDCA rules governing this event.

Participants

Signature of Participant

Date

Signature of Participant

Date

Parent/Legal Guardian:

Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian

Date

(A 4% administrative fee will be charged for all payments made with credit card)

Subtotal: \$ _____ 4% Admin Fee: \$ _____

Please charge the total amount \$ _____ to my VISA MASTERCARD

Name on Card: _____

Credit Card Number: _____ CVC: _____ Expiration Date: _____

Billing Address: _____

City: _____

State/Country: _____

Zip/Postal Code: _____

Daytime Telephone Number: _____

Fax: _____

Signature of Card Holder: _____