

Welcome to Oro Dance Competition! We are honored to embark on this enchanting journey with you. At Oro, we cherish the art of dance and the passion it ignites in each participant. Our mission is to cultivate a vibrant and inclusive community where talent flourishes, dreams soar, and memories are made to last a lifetime.

Before we immerse ourselves in the magic of dance, let us take a moment to familiarize ourselves with the following guidelines. These essential rules ensure fairness, safety, and the utmost enjoyment for all involved. Failure to adhere to these guidelines may result in point deductions or, in severe cases, disqualification from the competition.

Let the enchantment begin!

Mission Statement:

At Oro Dance Competition, our mission is to provide a golden opportunity for dancers to soar to new heights of excellence, creativity, and achievement. Through our gold-class divisions, we strive to inspire and empower dancers of all levels to pursue their passion with dedication, integrity, and joy. By upholding the gold standard of competition, camaraderie, and celebration, we aim to create a golden experience that enriches lives, ignites dreams, and shines brightly for all who participate.

Ambassador Selection:

Oro Dance Competition welcomes ambassadors from various dance studios to represent our brand and values. To ensure fairness and diversity among our ambassadors, we accept only one ambassador per studio. This allows us to offer equal opportunities to all participating studios and maintain the integrity of our ambassador program.

Golden Audience Awards:

Oro Dance Competition hosts the Golden Audience Awards, where audience members can vote for their favorite acts via our website. Each audience member is allowed one vote per email address, but they may select multiple acts to vote for. The act with the highest number of votes in each award session will be declared the winner. Please note that only one winner will be selected for each award session.

Studio Owner Appreciation:

In Oro Dance, we deeply value our studio owners; they are integral members of our dance family, playing a pivotal role in our community. To express our gratitude and ensure they feel cherished, we offer them a complimentary lunch per weekend on Saturday if they bring routines for the competition. They will receive one lunch if they bring 1-10 routines and two lunches if they bring 11 or more routines. In case the owner is absent, the lunch will be provided to either the Studio Director or a Studio Representative. We will send an email in advance of the event to inquire about lunch preferences. When requesting food via email, please specify that it is intended for the individual attending the event.

Payments, Schedules & Refunds:

- Secure your golden opportunity by submitting entry fees at least 30 days prior to the event to guarantee your place and avoid late fees or risk being pulled from the event.
- Latecomers beware! Late fees will be enforced starting 15 days before the event, so ensure your payment is as prompt as the rising sun.
- Prepare to dazzle on stage with a schedule approximately 3 weeks, 2 weeks and 1 week before the event so you have plenty of time to fix any imperfections in your gold schedule! Any schedule requests must be done in writing.
- Golden opportunities are precious. No refunds are issued except in the rare event of a competition cancellation, so treasure each moment on stage.

Safety First at Oro Dance Competition:

- Your safety is our top priority. While we work diligently to uphold a secure environment, all participants acknowledge the inherent risks associated with physical activity.
- By participating, both performers and spectators agree not to hold Oro Dance Competition or its staff responsible for any accidents, injuries, or instances of theft.
- We kindly remind all attendees that children must be supervised at all times, and personal belongings remain the responsibility of their owners.
- To ensure the focus remains on the stage, please refrain from photography, flash photography, and videography during competition routines, except during Improv and Awards segments, where capturing memories is encouraged.
- Oro Dance Competition will send waivers to studios to be signed by the legal guardians of participants to ensure compliance with safety regulations.

Title at Oro Dance Competition:

- The Oro Dance Competition offers dancers a unique chance to showcase their skills within their age group and level during their solo performance.
- The Title competition allows dancers to compete against the best within their age group and skill level simultaneously during their solo performance. It is available across all age divisions (Mini, Petite, Junior, Teen, Senior) and skill categories (Beginners, Intermediate, Advanced, and Special Gold), promoting an inclusive and spirited atmosphere.
- There is no limit to the number of solos that can enter the Title competition. The Title score, evaluated independently from the solo score, is out of 50 points. The combined score, out of 150 points, includes both the routine score and the Title score. The highest-scoring Title in each age division and skill category will be awarded.
- Title Winners receive a complimentary solo entry for 2026 Regionals. Second Runner-Up receive a 50% discount on solo entry fee for 2026 Regionals. To redeem, register the dancer for the 2026 Regionals and provide dancer's name, studio name, and event of prize via email to Orodancecompetition@gmail.com.
- Title competition incurs an additional cost to the solo entry.

Beginner Level:

- Tailored for novice dancers taking their first steps into competition.
- Designed for those investing less than three hours per week in dance and/or acrobatics, with limited competition experience.
- Limited to one solo per event to showcase budding talent and potential and less than 5 total routines.

Intermediate Level:

- Ideal for intermediate dancers looking to elevate their skills and artistry.
- Tailored for performers investing three to five hours per week in practice.
- Provides a platform for growth and refinement, preparing dancers for higher levels of competition.
- Limited to two solo per event to highlight progression and development and less than 10 routines. If they have more than 10 routines they must be placed in the advanced level.

Advanced Level:

- The premier division for elite dancers dedicated to excellence and distinction.
- Reserved for seasoned performers committing over five hours per week to practice.
- For advanced participants, the emphasis is on demonstrating their developed talent and dedicated commitment with unlimited routines.

Gold Level:

- A newly introduced level designed for dancers with special needs or disabilities, fostering inclusivity and support.
- Participation in Gold-Level routines requires at least one dancer registered at this level.
- Gold-Level dancers may engage in performances across other levels without affecting routine classifications.
- Gold Level dancers are limited to one solo per event.

Oro Dance Competition Spectator Guidelines:

- Oro Dance Competition welcomes the public to attend our events, with admission free of charge.
- While enjoying the performances, we kindly request that spectators refrain from bringing food or beverages into the auditorium/theater, adhering to venue regulations.
- To maintain a focused and respectful environment for performers, flash photography and videography during competition routines are strictly prohibited.
- We appreciate your cooperation in creating a supportive and encouraging atmosphere for all participants.

Oro Dance Competition Video Critiques:

- As part of our commitment to continuous improvement and learning, Oro Dance Competition provides video critiques for every entry.
- Following the event, video critiques will be made available for download within 3 business days, allowing participants to review and benefit from expert feedback.
- We encourage dancers and instructors to utilize these critiques as valuable resources for ongoing development and refinement of their performances.

Oro Dance Competition Photo and Video:

- Cherish your moments at Oro Dance Competition with complimentary professional photography and videography services available for all participants.
- Relive your unforgettable performances with free access to all routine media, ensuring lasting memories of your Oro Dance Competition journey.

Oro Dance Competition Entry Fees and Details:

- Entry fees for Oro Dance Competition are structured to provide accessible participation options for all dance styles and group sizes. These fees are available for review within your studio account, ensuring transparency and ease of access.
- Our entry types cater to various performance formats, including Solos, Duos/Trios, Small Groups, Large Groups, Lines, and Productions, accommodating a wide range of dancers and choreographic visions.
- Additionally, Oro Dance Competition offers competitive pricing to encourage participation and engagement across all levels and age groups. We strive to maintain affordability while delivering a high-quality competition experience for dancers, teachers, and families alike.
- As part of our commitment to fostering a supportive and inclusive atmosphere, Oro Dance Competition provides a platform for dancers to showcase their talents and creativity while receiving constructive feedback from experienced judges.
- We welcome dancers of all skill levels and backgrounds to join us in celebrating the art of dance and fostering a community of growth, camaraderie, and artistic expression.

Oro Dance Competition Age Divisions:

- Oro Dance Competition proudly offers a diverse range of age divisions, ensuring that dancers of all ages can participate and compete in an environment tailored to their developmental stage and skill level.
- Our age divisions are thoughtfully crafted to provide a fair and equitable playing field for all participants, fostering healthy competition and camaraderie among dancers.
- Age divisions at Oro Dance Competition include:

Mini: Ages 5 and under
Petite: Ages 6-8
Junior: Ages 9-12
Teen: Ages 13-15
Senior: Ages 16-18
Adult: Ages 19 and above

- For group routines, the age division is determined by calculating the average age of all participating dancers, ensuring that each group competes against others with similar age demographics. Ages are calculated as of Jan 1
- By offering comprehensive age divisions, Oro Dance Competition aims to promote inclusivity, growth, and artistic excellence among dancers of all ages and backgrounds.

Oro Dance Competition Performance Time Limits:

- At Oro Dance Competition, we understand the importance of respecting each performer's time while ensuring a dynamic and engaging showcase for our audience.
- Our performance time limits are designed to accommodate various entry types, allowing dancers to express themselves fully within the allocated time frame.
- Performance time limits at Oro Dance Competition are as follows:

Solos: Up to 3 minutes
Duos/Trios: Up to 4 minutes
Small Groups: Up to 5 minutes

Large Groups: Up to 6 minutes
Lines: Up to 7 minutes
Productions: Up to 8 minutes

- We also offer the option for extended performance time for those who wish to showcase longer routines. Please note that extended performance time is available for an additional fee, allowing dancers the flexibility to present more elaborate and intricate choreography.
- By providing clear and flexible performance time limits, Oro Dance Competition aims to create a platform where dancers can shine while adhering to fair and consistent guidelines.

Oro Dance Competition Props Policy:

- At Oro Dance Competition, we encourage creativity and artistic expression through the use of props while ensuring the safety and smooth flow of performances.
- To maintain a professional and organized environment, we have established guidelines regarding the use of props:
- Props are permitted, but it is the responsibility of participants to manage them responsibly to prevent any disruptions to the competition.
- Certain props are prohibited due to safety concerns and venue regulations. These include glitter, fire, fireworks, liquid/gel substances, weapons, confetti, powder-like items and animals.
- Participants must ensure that props are set up and removed within specified time limits to avoid delays between performances.
- By adhering to these prop guidelines; Oro Dance Competition aims to create a supportive and inclusive atmosphere where dancers can showcase their talent safely and effectively.

Oro Dance Competition Music Guidelines:

- At Oro Dance Competition, we recognize the integral role music plays in dance performances and strive to maintain a standard of excellence in musical selections.
- To ensure a seamless and enjoyable experience for all participants, we have established the following guidelines regarding music:
- All music must be uploaded during the registration process. Changes to music selections are not permitted less than 2 weeks before the event to facilitate event organization and scheduling.
- We uphold a strict policy against profanity and vulgar language in music selections. Participants are expected to choose appropriate music that aligns with our family-friendly atmosphere.
- By adhering to these music guidelines, Oro Dance Competition aims to uphold the integrity of dance performances while providing a respectful and inclusive environment for all participants and audience members.

Oro Dance Competition Judging Criteria:

- At Oro Dance Competition, our judging criteria are designed to provide comprehensive feedback and evaluation to dancers while maintaining the integrity of our competition standards. Here's what you need to know about our judging process:
- Three experienced judges evaluate routines based on four key criteria:

Technique (45 points)
Performance (25 Points)
Stage Presence (15 Points)
Overall Impression (15 Points)

Each criterion carries a maximum score of 100 points, resulting in a total score out of 300.

In the Beginning Level Division:

24k Gold: 282-300
Diamond: 266-281
Platinum: 251-265
Silver: 0-250

In the Intermediate Level Division:

24k Gold: 284-300
Diamond: 269-283
Platinum: 251-268
Silver: 0-250

In the Advanced Level Division:

24k Gold: 286-300
Diamond: 271-285
Platinum: 251-270
Silver: 0-250

In the Special Gold Level Division:

24k Gold: 286-300
Diamond: 266-285
Platinum: 251-265
Silver: 0-250

- We prioritize professionalism and respect in all aspects of the competition. Routines featuring inappropriate or vulgar content may face point deductions or disqualification at the discretion of the judging panel.
- By upholding these judging standards, Oro Dance Competition aims to foster a fair and supportive environment where dancers can showcase their talent and receive constructive feedback to aid in their growth and development.

Oro Dance Competition Improvisation Competition:

- Oro Dance Competition offers exciting Improvisation Competitions at every event, providing dancers with a platform to showcase their spontaneous creativity and skills. Here's what you need to know about our Improve competitions:
- Participants must pre-register for the Improv competition to secure their spot.
- Cash prizes and placements are awarded based on the judges' selections, recognizing outstanding improvisational talent and performance.

- Join us for a thrilling opportunity to witness dancers' ingenuity and artistic expression in real-time at Oro Dance Competition's Improvisation Competition.

Oro Dance Competition Prizes and Awards:

- Get ready to reap the rewards at Oro Dance Competition with our enticing array of prizes and awards. Here's what you can look forward to:
- Cash prizes, scholarships, and Oro Credits are up for grabs at every Oro event, rewarding dancers for their exceptional talent and dedication.
- Prizes must be redeemed within specified timeframes and are subject to certain conditions, ensuring fairness and transparency in our award distribution process.
- Prepare to shine on stage and seize the opportunity to claim your well-deserved prizes and accolades at Oro Dance Competition!

Performance Order:

- Get ready to dazzle the audience in the designated sequence at Oro Dance Competition, maintaining the event's rhythm and flow.
- Dancers are kindly reminded to check in with the backstage manager at least 15 -30 minutes before their scheduled performance time, ensuring a smooth transition between acts.

Additional Information:

- Please be advised that Oro Dance Competition maintains a strict no-refund policy for entry fees, or title/improv fees, irrespective of circumstances.
- Attendance or participation in an Oro event implies consent for the use of video footage and photographs by Oro Dance Competition, its partners, and affiliates for promotional purposes.
- For the safety of performers, videography or photography during a performance is strictly prohibited. Failure to comply may result in disqualification, and Oro reserves the right to remove violators from the facility.
- Registration of routines implies adherence to all choreography ownership and performance rights regulations, fostering a culture of respect and integrity within the dance community.
- Oro Dance Competition and the host venue are not liable for any personal injury or property loss occurring before, during, or after the event.
- Only dancers, teachers, studio owners, parent or guardian per dancer are permitted in the dressing rooms. Oro reserves the right to remove individuals from the dressing rooms if deemed necessary.
- Oro Dance Competition reserves the right to cancel events due to insufficient registration, inclement weather, or other unforeseen circumstances. Changes to an event's location, venue, or dates may also occur at Oro's discretion.
- Any dance movements, music lyrics, or costumes that are deemed overly suggestive or inappropriate for our family-oriented audience may result in a deduction of points by the judges or disqualification from the competition. The use of profane or derogatory language is strictly prohibited.
- Only Studio Owners/Directors are permitted to raise concerns regarding rule infractions. Any protests must be submitted in writing or verbally discussed with the Event Director/Staff Manager within 30 minutes of the performance.

- Any violation of the rules may result in a deduction of up to 2 points. The extent of the deduction is at the discretion of the judging panel.
- All routines are expected to perform at their scheduled time unless permission for a deviation is granted by an Oro Staff Manager.
- Adjustments to lighting during a performance, including stage and house lighting, are not permitted. • Oro does not enforce plagiarism policies unless a choreography has been copyrighted.
- Respect for fellow studios is paramount at Oro. We respectfully request that teachers or studio owners abstain from soliciting dancers from other studios during our events. The initial occurrence will prompt a cautionary notice. Repeated violations may render the studio temporarily ineligible for participation in forthcoming Oro events.

Note: Rules and regulations are periodically reviewed and updated to ensure the highest standards of fairness and professionalism. Stay tuned for any revisions or announcements.