

Best Dancer Title Competition

All Best Dancers will meet in the Senior Ballroom (Marcello) on the 4th Floor of the Palazzo & Venetian Hotel Complex, for Check-in, Orientation and Audition Classes. Please see attached schedule for times. Best Dancers do not need to check-in at the main Dance Awards registration desk. You will check-in separately inside the Senior Ballroom. At check-in, you will receive your Gift Bag, personalized Best Dancer Jacket & Number Badge. *Please note: We will be emailing all Studios & Independents a link to upload your competition music. Please make sure to bring back-up music on an iPod or USB.*

At the Audition, all competing Teen & Senior Best Dancers will learn a short Jazz & Ballet combo and perform it for the judging panel. Parents are not permitted to observe the Audition Class – only registered Teachers and Studio Owners.

On July 1st all competing Teen & Senior Best Dancers will perform their solos. The solo order was selected randomly and can be viewed here: www.thedanceawards.com/las-vegas/competition/best-dancer

Each Best Dancer's Audition Class scores will be combined with their solo score to determine the Top 10 Best Dancers (male and female) in each age division. **The announcement of the Top 10 will take place at 3:30pm on Wednesday, July 5th and will be immediately followed by the Best Dancer Dance-Off at 4:00pm.**

During the Best Dancer Dance-Off on July 5th, the Top 10 dancers (male and female) in each age division will be asked to improvise to a few different songs. Each Best Dancer's Dance-Off score will be combined with their solo score and audition class score. After the scores are combined the Top 3 dancers will then be announced and they will re-compete their solos right at the Dance-Off. The judging panel will then rank the soloists 1-3 which will determine the 2017 Best Dancer Winners and Runners-Up. The announcement of the Winners and Runners-up will happen during The Closing Awards Show on July 7th.

All Top 10 Best Dancers (male and female) from each age division will be presented with an award onstage during The Dance Awards Show on July 7th. The Top 3 dancers from each age division will then be announced, followed immediately by the announcement of the 2017 Best Dancer Winners and Runners-Up. The Best Dancer Winners (male and female) from each age division will then be asked to perform their solo later in the show.

Opening & Closing Number Rehearsal

Senior Best Dancers will be performing in the Opening Number of The Dance Awards Closing Show on July 7th. Teen Best Dancers will be performing in the Closing Number of the show. A rough outline of the rehearsal schedule is attached. **Please note: these times may change.** An updated schedule will be provided at Orientation.

Costumes

All Female Best Dancers should bring the following: Black jazz shoes. Black dance shorts. The Dance Awards will be providing the rest of the costume.

All Male Best Dancers should bring the following: Black Jazz shoes. Black socks. Black V-Neck T-shirt. Black dress pants that you can dance in.

Complimentary Ticket to Shaping Sound

All competing Senior Best Dancers will receive one complimentary ticket to see Shaping Sound at the Reynolds Hall in The Smith Center, Las Vegas, on June 29th at 7:30pm. Please pick up your ticket at "The Dance Awards" Desk that will be set-up next to the box office, one hour prior to show time. Senior Best Dancers are responsible for getting to and from the theatre. If parents or friends would like to purchase tickets to the show, we have a discount set-up at www.thedanceawards.com/sstix. The ticket prices from that link already reflect the 10% discount that was taken off the total ticket price. Just as a reminder, if friends or family choose to purchase their own ticket, they won't be seated with their Senior Best Dancer. Unfortunately if you have already purchased tickets to Shaping Sound, we will be unable to refund you for the discounted ticket price.



**TEEN & SENIOR
BEST DANCER INFO
LAS VEGAS**

Tickets to the Closing Awards Show

The Closing Awards Show will take place on July 7th at 6:00pm. Reserved seating tickets are \$75 USD. They are limited and will sell out. We also have standing room only tickets for \$40 USD. We are working on making the Closing Awards Show available, by live webcast, for a fee. We will let you know if this becomes a possibility.

Dress for the show is Formal. Tickets can be purchased online at www.TheDanceAwards.com, starting on Wednesday, June 14th at 12pm PST.

We are excited to see you in Las Vegas! Good Luck!



TEEN & SENIOR BEST DANCER SCHEDULE! LAS VEGAS

THURSDAY, June 29th

7:30pm-9:00pm

COMPETING SENIOR Best Dancers - Complimentary Ticket To Shaping Sound
(Reynolds Hall in The Smith Center, Las Vegas)

FRIDAY, June 30th

9:00am-3:00pm

SENIOR Best Dancer Rehearsal (Held in Junior Ballroom, 5th Floor)

11:00am-2:00pm

TEEN Best Dancer Check-In, Orientation & Audition (Held in Senior Ballroom, 4th Floor)

4:00pm-7:00pm

SENIOR Best Dancer Check-In, Orientation & Audition (Held in Senior Ballroom, 4th Floor)

4:00pm-10:00pm

TEEN Best Dancer Rehearsal (Held in Junior Ballroom, 5th Floor)

SATURDAY, July 1st

8:00am-1:00pm

SENIOR Best Dancer Rehearsal (Held in Rehearsal Room - Marcello Ballroom 4401-4502, 4th Floor)

7:00pm-10:00pm

TEEN Best Dancer Rehearsal (Held in Rehearsal Room - Marcello Ballroom 4401-4502, 4th Floor)

SUNDAY, July 2nd

8:00am-11:00am

SENIOR Best Dancer Rehearsal (Held in Rehearsal Room - Marcello Ballroom 4401-4502, 4th Floor)

MONDAY, July 3rd

8:00am-11:30am

TEEN Best Dancer Rehearsal (Held in Rehearsal Room - Marcello Ballroom 4401-4502, 4th Floor)

12:00pm-1:30pm

TEEN & SENIOR Cirque du Soleil Workshop (Held in Senior Ballroom, 4th Floor)

7:00pm-9:00pm

SENIOR Best Dancer Rehearsal (Held in Rehearsal Room - Marcello Ballroom 4401-4502 4th Floor)

TUESDAY, July 4th

NO REHEARSAL THIS DAY. YOU ARE FREE TO MAKE OTHER PLANS!

WEDNESDAY, July 5th

NO REHEARSAL THIS DAY. YOU ARE FREE TO MAKE OTHER PLANS!

9:00pm-11:00pm

TDA PROM!! (All Teen & Senior Dancers Only!) (Held in Mini Ballroom, 5th Floor)

THURSDAY, July 6th

3:30pm-5:00pm

AGENCY AUDITION W/ BLOC (Teen & Senior Dancers Only!) (Held in Mini Ballroom, 5th Floor)

8:30pm-11:00pm

TEEN & SENIOR Best Dancer Rehearsal **ON STAGE** (Held in Teen Ballroom, 5th Floor)

FRIDAY, July 7th

7:00am-7:45am

BEST DANCER TOP 10 Rehearsal **ON STAGE** (Held in Teen Ballroom, 5th Floor)

5:30pm

TDA CLOSING AWARDS SHOW CALL TIME! (Held in Teen Ballroom, 5th Floor)

Rehearsal times for July 7th will be announced as soon as possible!