



James L. Mckenzie Scholarship Committee

4th July, 2018

Dear Competition Organiser,

ScotDance Canada has been sponsoring the James L. Mckenzie Memorial Scholarship since 1996. The Scholarship requires that dancers complete an application process that includes a written component as well as performing the dance, A Tribute to James L. Mckenzie. The Scholarship is only open to Premier dancers registered with ScotDance Canada.

In an attempt to provide more consistency across the country and ensure that our dancers have an equal opportunity to perform the Tribute to James L. Mckenzie, it was decided to have Competition Organisers apply to host the demonstration event.

Our goal is to have the dance performed at as many competition events as possible, allowing dancers to perform the "Tribute" at a time and location that is convenient. In the past, there may have been only one event offered per province, with dancers wishing to apply for the Scholarship having to travel several hours. With our unpredictable winters, events could be cancelled, or plans to travel could be cancelled at the last minute, potentially leaving dancers with no opportunity to perform the demonstration. Having an application process allows both the Organisers and dancers to plan in advance, as it will allow our committee to publish the events on the ScotDance Canada website. The lists will be published on the ScotDance Canada website under events, James L. Award and will be listed both by date and by province.

We require the completed application to be submitted to ScotDance Canada by 15th October, 2018. For your information, the deadline for dancers applying for the scholarship is 15th April, 2019 – there is no need to be hosting a demonstration event after that date!

As first done in 2018, we are offering an extended season for the demonstration events. In order to facilitate more opportunities to perform the event, especially in areas where there are few competitions available to our dancers, you may choose to host events as early as September, 2018. If this is the case, please provide your application directly to myself as well as your Provincial Scholarship Committee member.

What we require from you is that the completed form is emailed to the Scholarship Committee member for your province (listed below) for each competition where you'd like to host the event. There are no restrictions on how many times you offer this event, we just ask that you set aside approximately 15 minutes for the dance to be performed, have music available for the dance, and if you are using one of your judges to observe the demonstration, that you ask them in advance so they are prepared. You are also responsible for providing the music for the dance, details are on the application form. We'd also like to request that you complete a separate application form for each date on which you'd like to host the event, or fill in the Organiser information on the form and attach a separate sheet listing dates, cities and place where the events are being held.

Unless advised otherwise, your application is approved upon receipt by ScotDance Canada.

There is no charge to the Organiser, and of course, no charge to the dancers for this event. Performing the dance to an acceptable standard is a part of the application process for our annual Scholarship.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions you may have regarding this event.

Thank you in advance for your time and support,

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