

* 2024 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM -

Scotdance N.B. is pleased to be sponsoring an annual Scholarship Program, the aim of which is to encourage and financially assist N.B. dancers in their goals of improving their dancing abilities & striving for excellence in Highland Dancing.

**The fund will provide two Scholarships:**

1. A $250.00 Scholarship for a Pre-Premier Dancer 2) A $500.00 scholarship for a Premier Dancer

**Who is Eligible:**

Any registered dancer who is currently studying at an elementary, secondary or post-secondary institution, and who has been dancing in N.B. for at least 2 years. If a dancer is successful in being chosen for the Scholarship, they can only reapply in 3 years.

**What to include with the application**:

1. A completed application form
2. A letter composed by the dancer themselves

* 250 words minimum, telling the committee about yourself, and how being involved in highland dancing has helped you
* Include your top 5 achievements in dancing during the past year (competition results, medal tests, memorable performances, achievement of personal goals set in dancing, etc).
* Discuss how the scholarship money would be used to help pursue your dancing goals

**Applicants must have two letters of reference**. ONE should be distributed to your dance teacher, and ONE to someone within your community who knows you and is not a relative (ex. homeroom teacher, music teacher, coach, etc). Referees may return forms directly to [sdnbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:sdnbscholarship@gmail.com), or as a package with the application.

**Selection criteria:**

* Applications will be reviewed by a dance instructor/judge from outside the province to select the winners
* Applicants will be assessed according to the following criteria:

30 % - Dancer’s letter, overall effort & presentation of application

20 % - Top five achievements or accomplishments during the past year

20 % - Participation in community events & N.B. competitions

25 % - Reference letters (2)

5 % - Financial need

* Dance teachers may be asked to narrow the selection down to 2 for each category if many applications from their dance school are received by the scholarship committee

**Deadline for applications: March 24, 2024**



**Application Form** - 2024 ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

**Applicant’s name:**

**Full mailing address:**

**Contact Email:**

**Age: Date of birth:**

**Scotdance NB Registration Number:**

**Dance teacher:**

**List *in point form* the names of all New Brunswick competitions, dancing performances or events within your community that you have participated in during the past year:**

In submitting this application, you indicate your agreement with your photo being shared on the SDNB website, newsletter and social media platforms. If you do not wish for your photo to be shared, please indicate this below:

\_\_ I do not wish my photo to be shared on social media

**Signature (or type name again as confirmation):**

**Date:**

**Please submit applications to:**

SDNB Scholarship Chair

[sdnbscholarship@gmail.com](mailto:sdnbscholarship@gmail.com)

A confirmation email to be sent to you within 72 hours.

**Announcement of scholarship winners:**  April 2024