



Isle of Wight Music Dance & Drama Festival

DANCE Syllabus

Rules

DANCING RULES

(To be read in conjunction with the Festival Rules and Information Section)

1. This competition is for amateurs and students who do not derive the main part of their income from the teaching or performance of Dance.
2. The maximum age is 18 years for solos and 21 years for duets, trios/quartets and groups.
3. The age of competitors is taken from 31st August 2026. In Duets, Trios and Groups, the age of the oldest competitor counts. It is the responsibility of Teachers and/or Parents to ensure that pupils have been entered in the correct Class.
4. Teachers and/or Parents are responsible for the behaviour of children and any damage caused by them. (See also the Festival Child Protection Policy in the Rules and Information Section).
5. Only Stewards, Teachers and their nominated helpers are permitted side-stage.
6. The Committee reserves the right to combine or divide Classes as necessary.
7. The Committee reserves the right to refuse entries.
8. All Dance music must be uploaded but dancers must have a back up either on CDs, or mobile device clearly marked with name. All Teachers are responsible for observing Copyright and Licensing Regulations regarding recorded music. (See also the Festival the Rules and Information Section).
9. Competitors must register at the Stewards' Table on arrival.
10. Musical Theatre Solos, Duets, Trios, Quartets and Groups are not permitted to have vocals in the dance music and risk disqualification if they do so.
11. Pointe work is not allowed for any competitor aged under 13 years on 31st August 2026.
12. Fixed Taps (single sound) only for Tap Dancing.
13. Acrobatic and Disco movements are permitted, providing they are combined with a Modern Dance technique.
14. The following Time Limits must be observed:

Solo 10 years & under	1.5 minutes
11 years & over	2 minutes
Duets	2.5 minutes
Trios & Quartets	2.5 minutes
Small Group (5-10 dancers)	3 minutes
Large Group (11-30 dancers)	4 minutes

(Extra 0.5min allowed for all Musical Theatre classes.)
15. Medals will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in Solos, Duets and Trios/Quartets.
16. The Adjudicator cannot enter into correspondence regarding his/her adjudications, and his/her decision will be final. Any matters or concerns relating to the Festival Competition should be addressed to IWMDDF Officials, not the Adjudicator.
17. Entrance Fees:

Solo Classes	£6.50
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Duets, Trios, Quartets £5.50 per person

Team or Group (5+) £26.00

18. The Closing Date for all Entries is: 8th December 2026.

Adjudicator

Jayne Wing

FISTD

Jayne trained at the Drusilla Duffill School of Theatre dance in Sussex, and has been the Principal of the Pirouette Academy of Dance in Leicester since 1987, teaching both children and adults in all genres of stage dance. Jayne's students have been Janet Cram finalists and class prize winners and also finalists at the Imperial Classical Ballet awards.

Jayne is an examiner and committee member with the ISTD national faculty and is an approved tutor for Modern Tap and National, teaching all units of DDE to students, both at her own school and further education colleges in the East Midlands.

Jayne has been the recipient of the Helen Wingrave award and used this to further her knowledge and qualifications in national dance.

Jayne has performed professionally in both the west end alongside Sheila Hancock in Annie and around the UK and is an adjudicator for The British and International Federation of Festivals and All England Dance.

BABY CLASSICAL

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4000 BABY CLASSICAL SOLO 4 YRS AND UNDER Baby Classical Solo 4yrs and under	4 and under		£6.50

BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4001 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 5 years	Age 4 and 5		£6.50
4002 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 6 years	6		£6.50
4003 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 7 years	7		£6.50
4004 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 8 years	8		£6.50
4005 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 9 years	9		£6.50
4006 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 10 years	10		£6.50
4007 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 11 years	11		£6.50
4008 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 12 years	12		£6.50
4009 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 13 years	13		£6.50

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4010 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 14 years	14		£6.50
4011 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 15 years	15		£6.50
4012 BALLET / STYLISED BALLET SOLO 16 years & older	Between 16 and 18		£6.50

CONTEMPORARY/ MODERN BALLET SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4013 CONTEMPORARY/MODERN BALLET SOLO 13 & 14 years	Age 13 and 14		£6.50
4014 CONTEMPORARY/ MODERN BALLET SOLO 15 years and older	Between 15 and 18		£6.50

GLOBAL SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4015 GLOBAL SOLO 5 years	Age 4 and 5		£6.50
4016 GLOBAL SOLO 6 years	6		£6.50
4017 GLOBAL SOLO 7 years	7		£6.50
4018 GLOBAL SOLO 8 years	8		£6.50
4019 GLOBAL SOLO 9 years	9		£6.50
4020 GLOBAL SOLO 10 years	10		£6.50
4021 GLOBAL SOLO 11 years	11		£6.50
4022 GLOBAL SOLO 12 years	12		£6.50
4023 GLOBAL SOLO 13 years	13		£6.50
4024 GLOBAL SOLO 14 years	14		£6.50
4025 GLOBAL SOLO 15 years	15		£6.50
4026 GLOBAL SOLO 16 years & over	Between 16 and 18		£6.50

CHARACTER SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4027 CHARACTER SOLO 5 years	Age 4 and 5		£6.50
4028 CHARACTER SOLO 6 years	6		£6.50
4029 CHARACTER SOLO 7 years	7		£6.50
4030 CHARACTER SOLO 8 years	8		£6.50
4031 CHARACTER SOLO 9 years	9		£6.50
4032 CHARACTER SOLO 10 years	10		£6.50
4033 CHARACTER SOLO 11 years	11		£6.50
4034 CHARACTER SOLO 12 years	12		£6.50
4035 CHARACTER SOLO 13 years	13		£6.50

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4036 CHARACTER SOLO 14 years	14		£6.50
4037 CHARACTER SOLO 15 years	15		£6.50
4038 CHARACTER SOLO 16 years & over	Between 16 and 18		£6.50

CLASSICAL GREEK SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4039 CLASSICAL GREEK SOLO 8 years & under 8 Years & under	8 and under		£6.50
4040 CLASSICAL GREEK SOLO 9 & 10 years	Age 9 and 10		£6.50
4041 CLASSICAL GREEK SOLO 11 & 12 years	Age 11 and 12		£6.50
4042 CLASSICAL GREEK SOLO 13 & 14 years	Age 13 and 14		£6.50
4043 CLASSICAL GREEK SOLO 15 years & over	Between 15 and 18		£6.50

CLASSICAL DUET (Ballet, Character or Greek)

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4044 CLASSICAL DUET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 7yrs & under	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4045 CLASSICAL DUET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 10 years & under	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4046 CLASSICAL DUET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 14 years & under	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4047 CLASSICAL DUET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

CLASSICAL TRIO/QUARTET (Ballet, Character, Greek)

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4048 CLASSICAL TRIO/QUARTET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 7yrs & under Group of 3 to 4 people	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4049 CLASSICAL TRIO/QUARTET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 10 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4050 CLASSICAL TRIO/QUARTET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 14 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4051 CLASSICAL TRIO/QUARTET (Ballet, Character, Greek) 21 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	21 and under		£5.50 per person

CLASSICAL GROUP (Ballet, Character, Greek)

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4052 CLASSICAL GROUP (Ballet, Character, Greek) 10 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	10 and under		£26.00 per group
4053 CLASSICAL GROUP (Ballet, Character, Greek) 14 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	14 and under		£26.00 per group
4054 CLASSICAL GROUP (Ballet, Character, Greek) 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

GLOBAL DUET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4055 GLOBAL DUET 7 years & under	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4056 GLOBAL DUET 10 years & under	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4057 GLOBAL DUET 14 years & under	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4058 GLOBAL DUET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

GLOBAL TRIO/QUARTET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4059 GLOBAL TRIO/QUARTET 7 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4060 GLOBAL TRIO/QUARTET 10 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4061 GLOBAL TRIO/QUARTET 14 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4062 GLOBAL TRIO/QUARTET 21 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	21 and under		£5.50 per group

GLOBAL GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4063 GLOBAL GROUP 10 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	10 and under		£26.00 per group
4064 GLOBAL GROUP 14 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	14 and under		£26.00 per group
4065 GLOBAL GROUP 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

CONTEMPORARY/MODERN BALLET DUET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4066 CONTEMPORARY/ MODERN BALLET DUET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

CONTEMPORARY/MODERN BALLET TRIO/QUARTET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4067 CONTEMPORARY/ MODERN BALLET TRIO/QUARTET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person
Group of 3 to 4 people			

CONTEMPORARY/MODERN BALLET GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4068 CONTEMPORARY/ MODERN BALLET GROUP 21 years & under	21 and under		£26.00 per group
Group of 5 to 30 people			

BABY STAGE

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4069 BABY STAGE SOLO 4 years & under	4 and under		£6.50

TAP SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4070 TAP SOLO 5 years	Age 4 and 5		£6.50
4071 TAP SOLO 6 years	6		£6.50
4072 TAP SOLO 7 years	7		£6.50
4073 TAP SOLO 8 years	8		£6.50
4074 TAP SOLO 9 years	9		£6.50
4075 TAP SOLO 10 years	10		£6.50
4076 TAP SOLO 11 years	11		£6.50
4077 TAP SOLO 12 years	12		£6.50
4078 TAP SOLO 13 years	13		£6.50
4079 TAP SOLO 14 years	14		£6.50
4080 TAP SOLO 15 years	15		£6.50
4081 TAP SOLO 16 years & over	Between 16 and 18		£6.50

MODERN SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4082 MODERN SOLO 5 years	Age 4 and 5		£6.50
4083 MODERN SOLO 6 years	6		£6.50
4084 MODERN SOLO 7 years	7		£6.50
4085 MODERN SOLO 8 years	8		£6.50
4086 MODERN SOLO 9 years	9		£6.50
4087 MODERN SOLO 10 years	10		£6.50
4088 MODERN SOLO 11 years	11		£6.50
4089 MODERN SOLO 12 years	12		£6.50
4090 MODERN SOLO 13 years	13		£6.50
4091 MODERN SOLO 14 years	14		£6.50
4092 MODERN SOLO 15 years	15		£6.50
4093 MODERN SOLO 16 years & over	Between 16 and 18		£6.50

LYRICAL MODERN SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4094 LYRICAL MODERN SOLO 10 years & under	10 and under		£6.50
4095 LYRICAL MODERN SOLO 11 & 12 years	Age 11 and 12		£6.50
4096 LYRICAL MODERN SOLO 13 & 14 years	Age 13 and 14		£6.50
4097 LYRICAL MODERN SOLO 15 years & over	Between 15 and 18		£6.50

COMMERICAL SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4098 COMMERICAL SOLO 10 years & under	10 and under		£6.50
4099 COMMERICAL SOLO 11 & 12 years	Age 11 and 12		£6.50
4100 COMMERICAL SOLO 13 years & over	Between 13 and 18		£6.50

MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4101 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 5 years	5 and under		£6.50
4102 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 6 years	6		£6.50
4103 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 7 years	7		£6.50
4104 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 8 years	8		£6.50
4105 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 9 years	9		£6.50

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4106 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 10 years	10		£6.50
4107 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 11 years	11		£6.50
4108 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 12 years	12		£6.50
4109 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 13 years	13		£6.50
4110 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 14 years	14		£6.50
4111 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 15 years	15		£6.50
4112 MUSICAL THEATRE SOLO 16 years & over	Between 16 and 18		£6.50

ACRO SOLO

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4113 ACRO SOLO 10 years & under	10 and under		£6.50
4114 ACRO SOLO 11 & 12 years	Age 11 and 12		£6.50
4115 ACRO SOLO 13 years & over	Between 13 and 18		£6.50

TAP DUET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4116 TAP DUET 7YRS & UNDER	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4117 TAP DUET 10 years & under	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4118 TAP DUET 14 years & under	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4119 TAP DUET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

TAP TRIO/QUARTET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4120 TAP TRIO/QUARTET 7YRS & UNDER Group of 3 to 4 people	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4121 TAP TRIO/QUARTET 10 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4122 TAP TRIO/QUARTET 14 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4123 TAP TRIO/QUARTET 21 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	21 and under		£5.50 per person

TAP GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4124 TAP GROUP 10 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	10 and under		£26.00 per group
4125 TAP GROUP 14 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	14 and under		£26.00 per group
4126 TAP GROUP 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

MODERN DUET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4127 MODERN DUET 7YRS & UNDER	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4128 MODERN DUET 10 years & under	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4129 MODERN DUET 14 years & under	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4130 MODERN DUET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

MODERN TRIO/QUARTET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4131 MODERN TRIO/QUARTET 7YRS & UNDER Group of 3 to 4 people	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4132 MODERN TRIO/QUARTET 10 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4133 MODERN TRIO/QUARTET 14 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4134 MODERN TRIO/QUARTET 21 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	21 and under		£5.50 per person

MODERN GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4135 MODERN GROUP 10 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	10 and under		£26.00 per group
4136 MODERN GROUP 14 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	14 and under		£26.00 per group
4137 MODERN GROUP 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

LYRICAL GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4138 LYRICAL GROUP 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

COMMERICAL DUET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4139 COMMERICAL DUET 10 years & under	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4140 COMMERICAL DUET 14 years & under	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4141 COMMERICAL DUET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

COMMERICAL TRIO/QUARTET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4142 COMMERICAL TRIO/QUARTET 10 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4143 COMMERICAL TRIO/QUARTET 14 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4144 COMMERICAL TRIO/QUARTET 21 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	21 and under		£5.50 per person

COMMERICAL GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4145 COMMERICAL GROUP 14 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	14 and under		£26.00 per group
4146 COMMERICAL GROUP 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

MUSICAL THEATRE DUET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4147 MUSICAL THEATRE DUET 7YRS & UNDER	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4148 MUSICAL THEATRE DUET 10 years & under	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4149 MUSICAL THEATRE DUET 14 years & under	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4150 MUSICAL THEATRE DUET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

MUSICAL THEATRE TRIO/QUARTET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4151 MUSICAL THEATRE TRIO/QUARTET 7YRS & UNDER Group of 3 to 4 people	7 and under		£5.50 per person
4152 MUSICAL THEATRE TRIO/QUARTET 10 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4153 MUSICAL THEATRE TRIO/QUARTET 14 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4154 MUSICAL THEATRE TRIO/QUARTET 21 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	21 and under		£5.50 per person

MUSICAL THEATRE GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4155 MUSICAL THEATRE GROUP 10 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	10 and under		£26.00 per group
4156 MUSICAL THEATRE GROUP 14 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	14 and under		£26.00 per group
4157 MUSICAL THEATRE GROUP 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

ACRO DUET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4158 ACRO DUET 10 years & under	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4159 ACRO DUET 14 years & under	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4160 ACRO DUET 21 years & under	21 and under		£5.50 per person

ACRO TRIO/QUARTET

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4161 ACRO TRIO/QUARTET 10 years and under Group of 3 to 4 people	10 and under		£5.50 per person
4162 ACRO TRIO/QUARTET 14 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	14 and under		£5.50 per person
4163 ACRO TRIO/QUARTET 21 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	21 and under		£5.50 per person

ACRO GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4164 ACRO GROUP 10 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	10 and under		£26.00 per group
4165 ACRO GROUP 14 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	14 and under		£26.00 per group
4166 ACRO GROUP 21 years & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group

ADULT GROUP

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4167 ADULT GROUP - CLASSICAL Group of 2 to 30 people	Any		£26.00 per group
4168 ADULT GROUP - STAGE Group of 2 to 30 people	Any		£26.00 per group

CHOREOGRAPHY

NOTES

- 1 No age limit.
- 2 Entries may be made by one or more choreographer(s).
- 3 Entries can be for Solo, Duet, Trio, Quartet or Group.
- 4 Choreographer(s) may or may not dance as they wish. Dances may be created for any age group, which must be declared at entry.
- 5 Appropriate time limits to apply in all entries.
- 6 Entry Fees: £6.50 per dance regardless of size

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4169 CHOREOGRAPHY - CLASSICAL Solo or Group of any size	18 and under		Solo: £6.50 Group: £6.50 per group
4170 CHOREOGRAPHY - MODERN Solo or Group of any size	18 and under		Solo: £6.50 Group: £6.50 per group
4171 CHOREOGRAPHY - TAP Solo or Group of any size	18 and under		Solo: £6.50 Group: £6.50 per group
4172 CHOREOGRAPHY - MUSICAL THEATRE Solo or Group of any size	18 and under		Solo: £6.50 Group: £6.50 per group

SPECIAL DANCE

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4173 SPECIAL DANCE SOLO 18 Years & under	18 and under		£6.50
4174 SPECIAL DANCE SOLO 19 years & over	19 and over		£6.50
4175 SPECIAL DANCE DUET 18 years & under	18 and under		£5.50 per person
4176 SPECIAL DANCE DUET 19 years & over	19 and over		£5.50 per person
4177 SPECIAL DANCE TRIO/QUARTET 18 years & under Group of 3 to 4 people	18 and under		£5.50 per person
4178 SPECIAL DANCE TRIO/QUARTET 19 years & over Group of 3 to 4 people	19 and over		£5.50 per person
4179 SPECIAL DANCE GROUP 18 years and under Group of 5 to 25 people	18 and under		£26.00 per group
4180 SPECIAL DANCE GROUP 19 years & over Group of 5 to 25 people	Any		£26.00 per group

NOVICE SECTION

Class	Age	Time	Fee
4181 NOVICE CLASSICAL SOLO 10 years & under For competitors who have never entered the dance section before and have had no more than three years tuition	10 and under		£6.50
4182 NOVICE CLASSICAL SOLO 11 years & over For competitors who have never entered the dance section before and have had no more than three years tuition	Between 11 and 18		£6.50
4183 NOVICE STAGE SOLO 10 years & under For competitors who have never entered the dance section before and have had no more than three years tuition	10 and under		£6.50
4184 NOVICE STAGE SOLO 11 years & over For competitors who have never entered the dance section before and have had no more than three years tuition	Between 11 and 18		£6.50
4185 Open Group 21yrs & under Group of 5 to 30 people	21 and under		£26.00 per group