2024 New Brunswick Highland Games Festival & Workshop 41st Anniversary

July 27 – 29, 2024 RSOBHD# C-NB-CO24-1008

> 51 Woodstock Road Fredericton, NB E3B9L8

Admission: Registered dancers get in free. All other visitors need a festival pass.

Pre-purchase online to save! Details here: https://www.highlandgames.ca/tickets/



Judge: Wenda Crawford, Nanaimo, BC

ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY – REGISTRATION **OPENS JUNE 3, 2024 AT 12PM AT** AND **CLOSES JULY 11, 2024 AT 5PM AT. Limited to 125 dancers.** 

 $Competition \& Demonstration Event Registration Form: \underline{https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/3ac9f6c5-04ee-4d54-81e7-643a92b6346d$ 

Please carefully read the rules for attending ScotDance Canada Sanctioned Competitions and liability waivers which can be found on the online entry form.

ALL DANCERS (excluding demonstration event dancers) MUST HAVE A CURRENT RSOBHD DANCE CARD WITH A 2024 STICKER ON THE FRONT.

Category changes must be submitted to dancing@highlandgames.ca by Monday, July 22nd, 2024

SATURDAY, JULY 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2024: HIGHLANDS							
Category							
Primary	16 PDBs	PBDs & HCs	Fling (4)	Sword (2+1)			
Beginner/Novice	Fling (4)	Sword (2+1)	ST (3+1)	Half Tulloch (4)			
Intermediate	Fling (4)	Sword (2+1)	ST (3+1)	Half Tulloch (4)			
Premier	Fling (4)	Sword (2+1)	ST (3&1)	Half Tulloch (4)			
Demonstration	16 PDBs	PDBs & HCs	Fling (4)				

**DANCE TEACHERS PLEASE NOTE**: We are pleased to offer a demonstration opportunity to dancers ages three and over, who do not yet compete to perform.

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SUNDAY, JULY 28th, 2024: NATIONALS & CHOREOGRAPHY							
Beginner/Novice	Lilt (4)	Flora (4)					
Intermediate	Lilt (4)	Flora (4)	Barracks (4)	Laddie (4)			
Premier	Village Maid (4)	Lilt (4)	Earl (4)	Hornpipe (4)			
Pre-Premier Choreography	Solo	Duet	Group (3 – 8 dancers)				
Premier Choreography	Solo	Duet	Group (3 – 8 dancers)				
Solos and duets are limited to the first 12 entries. Groups are limited to the first 15 entries.							
MONDAY, JULY 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2024: ALIGNMENT WORKSHOP							
Pre-Premier Workshop	8:30AM – 10AM						
Premier Workshop	10AM – 12PM	•	_				

Location: Saorsa Studio, 336 NB-10 Richibucto Road, Fredericton

#### About Wenda:

In addition to Highland dance, Wenda studied tap, musical theatre, jazz, ballet and modern (Toronto Dance Theatre). She received her Teacher Training at the National Ballet School of Canada. She has choreographed for community theatre, The Scottish Dance Company of Canada, Celtic Accent, and private dance schools.

Wenda works in the movement and manual therapy fields incorporating her education in Sports Injury Management (athletic therapy), Registered Massage Therapy, Critical Alignment, Yoga and Somatic Movement therapies. She has completed her 5<sup>th</sup> year of Osteopathic Manual Therapy training. She is continuing movement and training studies in Somatic Movement, Yoga Therapy, and Cranial-Sacral Therapy.

Wenda enjoys working with dancers to help create joint and tissue mobility and balanced alignment which hopefully leads toward ease of movement in their dance.

#### **TENTATIVE SCHEDULE**

## **Saturday Highlands**

Primary, Beginner and Novice **Registration 8:30 am**. Dancing starts at **9:00am** with the Fling. Gates Open at 8:00 am.

Demonstration event will be at 10 am

Intermediate and Premier **Registration 12:30pm**. Dancing will start at **approximately 1pm** with the Fling, after completion of the morning awards.

# **Sunday Nationals & Choreography Challenge**

Beginner and Novice Registration 8:30 am. Dancing starts at 9AM with the Lilt. Gates Open at 8:00 am.

Intermediate and Premier **Registration 9:30 am**. Dancing will start at **approximately 10am** with the Village Maid, after completion of the morning awards.

Pre-Premier and Premier Atlantic Choreography Challenge **Registration 1:30pm**. Dancing will start at **approximately 2pm** with the Pre-Premier solos.

## **Monday Workshop**

8:30 - 10AM: Pre-Premier

10AM - 12PM: Premier

Note: all schedules may be subject to change based on registration numbers, and will be communicated to you prior to the event if so.

## **FEES**

### **COMPETITION FEES**

(All fees include \$1.00 SDCCS, \$5.00 SDNB surcharge)

Primary A- \$25.00 (2 dances or less)

Primary B - \$48.00 (more than 2 dances)

**Beginner, Novice, Intermediate and Premier Saturday** - \$48.00 **Beginner, Novice, Intermediate and Premier Sunday** - \$48.00

**Pre-Premier Solo** \$25

Pre-Premier Duet \$12 per dancer – all dancers in the group choreography must register individually

**Pre-Premier Group (3 – 8 dancers)** \$12 per dancer – all dancers in the group choreography must register individually

Premier Solo \$25

**Premier Duet** \$12 per dancer – all dancers in the group choreography must register individually **Premier Group (3 – 8 dancers)** \$12 per dancer – all dancers in the group choreography must register individually

Pre-Premier Workshop \$20 Premier Workshop \$25

#### **RULES & REGULATIONS**

Entries must be received by **JULY 11, 2024**. Late entries may be accepted with a \$10 late fee charged. No refunds. For category changes, please email **dancing@highlandgames.ca** 

**Age as of JULY 27, 2024.** Age categories will be determined by number of entries. Special events do not count towards high aggregate awards. Awards will be withheld without a current RSOBHD dancer registration card and a penalty charged to cover postage.

**Prizes:** Medals and trophies will be awarded in all categories. Trophies will be awarded in all categories except Primary and special events.

**Judging:** Dancers will be judged according to the techniques of the RSOBHD. Judge's decision shall be final. There will be no access to the judge's score sheets. In the event of a protest, a \$35.00 non-refundable fee must accompany a written complaint and be submitted to the organizers the same day as the competition.

The New Brunswick Highland Games will not be responsible for any injuries, accidents or lost articles to competitors or spectators.

- 1. All dancing events are governed by the rules and regulations of the Royal Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing (RSOBHD) and ScotDance Canada.
- 2. This event may be cancelled at any time up to, and including on or during the date of competition, dependent upon public health concerns.
- 3. The decision of the judge(s) is final.
- 4. Dancers will compete in inverse order of entry. First to enter is last to dance.
- 5. Age is as of 12.01am on competition date.
- 6. Entry fee must accompany entry.
- 7. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organizer.
- 8. There are no refunds.
- 9. Dancers must be registered with the RSOBHD or RSOBHD subsidiary body (such as ScotDance Canada) in order to compete. All competitors must present current RSOBHD registration card prior to receiving awards.
- 10. Protests must be made in writing, signed and submitted to the Organiser by the end of the competition day and must be accompanied by a 35.00 fee, refundable, if sustained.
- 11. The Organiser reserves the right to combine or split classes.

- 12. No category changes will be accepted on the day of competition. All category changes must be emailed to dancing@highlandgames.ca no later than Monday, July 22nd.
- 13. Competitors must be on hand when their event is called or forfeit entry in that dance.
- 14. All competitors must remain in costume for award presentations.
- 15. Dancers must be dressed appropriately at all times.
- 16. Dancers and parents must respect the ScotDance Canada Risk Management Guidelines, local, Provincial and Federal health authority directives, and RSOBHD Code of Ethics.
- 17. For all solo, duo, group choreographies dancers must use movements primarily from Highland, National Dances as well as Jig, Hornpipe. Some influences from other dance forms may be incorporated. Costumes music and props must have a Celtic flavour or theme, NO Special effects, Glitter or additional lighting permitted.
- 18. Choreography Time limits: solo 1.5 minutes. Group 2.5 minutes. There will be a 10-point deduction for going over time.
- 19. Choreography changes/edits will NOT be accepted on the day of the competitio
- 19. We are limiting the number of solo choreographies to the first 12 entries for Pre-Premier and Premier (12 solos in each)
- 20. Group Choreography Dancers are to enter as a team, made up of 3 to 8 dancers only. Each dancer is to register

themselves and provide the names of dancers who are in their team. Limited to the first 15 group choreographies for Pre-Premier and Premier (15 choreographies in each)

21. All dancers who compete and are placed will receive medals, with the exception of the oldest category who will receive cash prizes. Overall awards will be presented in all categories

except Primary who will receive medals only.

22. EVENT DANCE OFFS & OVERALL AWARDS.

Saturday Ivan C. Murray Memorial dance off: Premier 1st and 2nd place winners of the Highland Fling will compete for the overall perpetual award.

Sunday Kate Gaddess Memorial dance off: Premier 1st and 2nd place winners of the Village Maid will compete for the overall perpetual award.

Saturday New Brunswick Highland Games Dancer of the Day: awarded to the New Brunswick dancer with the most overall points accumulated on Saturday.

Saturday Henry Odo Memorial Pre-Premier Dancer of the Day: awarded to the Pre-Premier dancer with the most overall points accumulated on Saturday.

## **Demonstration Event**

We are happy to announce that the New Brunswick Highland Games Festival will host a demonstration event.

This is open to any new dancers ages three and up that are not competing but would like to participate. The dances will be performed on stage, in front of the judge but will not be adjudicated. Dancers will receive a

participation ribbon – there will not be awards. This is a wonderful opportunity to introduce young dancers to competitive Highland dancing. It is also an opportunity for parents and dancers to 'learn the ropes' without the pressure of competition.

Dancers can register for the individual dances that they know - 16 Pas de Basques, Pas de Basques and Highcuts, and the Highland Fling.

Dancers can perform in a white shirt/blouse, white knee socks, ghillies and a kiltie. Your dance teacher should be able to help with costuming.

We would like dancers to be at the venue for 10AM. We will have them perform immediately after the primary competitive dancers complete their dances. Please complete the online form to register your dancer for this event – there is no fee.

#### **ACCOMODATION**

# Hotel Room block - Delta Fredericton Group Rate

Special rates for visitors are available at the Delta Fredericton. Visit <a href="https://www.highlandgames.ca/accommodations/">https://www.highlandgames.ca/accommodations/</a> for details.

This hotel room block fills up QUICKLY. Book asap to secure your stay. Last day to book is June 19th, 2024 OR until the block is full, whichever comes first.

#### SPECIAL CHOREOGRAPHY EVENTS

- 1. If you are registered in a group choreography, all dancers must register individually for the event. Have one individual send the names of all registered dancers in their team to dancing@highlandgames.ca no later than July 11th, 2024
- 2. You must email your music in advance of the competition. The deadline for music submission is **July 11th**, **2024. Music must be emailed to dancing@highlandgames.ca.**
- 3. Music must be provided in an mp3 file format
- 4. Time limits: Solo 1.5 minutes, Group 2.5 minutes. There will be a 10-point dedication for going over the time limit.
- 5. Changes/edits will NOT be accepted on the day of the competition
- 6. Please bring a back-up copy of the music on an iPod/smartphone, etc.