

AUSTRALIAN DANCE CHALLENGE 2008

THE ULTIMATE DANCE COMPETITION!

SOLOS - 7th to 11th July
TROUPES - 16th & 17th August

@ CAMDEN CIVIC CENTRE
OXLEY STREET, CAMDEN

CASH PRIZES AND BIG TROPHIES
PANEL OF 3 JUDGES FOR TROUPE DAY
CHOREOGRAPHER AWARD

AUSTRALIAN DANCE CHALLENGE

- Dates:** Solos/Duos/Trios.....7th to 11th July
Troupes.....16th & 17th August
- Venue:** Camden Civic Centre
Oxley Street, Camden
- Judges:** To be appointed
(All Troupe sections will feature a panel of 3 judges)
- Entry fees:** Solos/Duos/Trios.....\$10
Troupes.....\$20
- Entries close:** 16th June
- Send entries to:** Australian Dance Challenge
C/- Ben Stokes
11 Pickets Place
Currans Hill NSW 2567
- Contact info:** Email.....ben@commotionkids.com
Phone.....0402 119 073
- Sections available:** Solos:
(6/u, 8/u, 10/u, 12/u, 14/u, 16/u, 17/over)
Jazz, Hip Hop, Fast Tap, Slow Tap, Waltz Tap, Ensemble Tap, Classical Ballet, Demi-Character, Song & Tap, Song & Soft Shoe, Modern Expressive/Lyrical, Contemporary, Acrobatics/Circus, Jazz Impro, Hip Hop Impro, Tap Impro, Modern Expressive Impro, Contemporary Impro, Student choreography and introducing... 'AUSTRALIAN DANCE CHAMPION competition'.
- Troupes:
(6/u, 8/u, 10/u, 12/u, 14/u, Open Age)
Jazz, Tap, Hip Hop, Modern Expressive, Contemporary, Classical Ballet, Song & Dance, Entertainment/Variety and Acrobatics/Circus.
- [If insufficient entries for are received, some sections will be combined with a similar style or age group].*
- (Any requests for new sections? Email them through.)
- Time limits:** 3 minutes for solos
4 minutes for duos/trios
5 minutes for Troupes
- Prizes:** Large trophies for all 1st, 2nd and 3rd places for all sections.
Ribbons for all the members of the winning troupes.
\$100 'Junior Australian Dance Champion'
\$100 'Pre-teen Australian Dance Champion'
\$100 'Senior Australian Champion'
\$100 'Best Troupe Costume'
\$100 'Best Troupe Choreography'
- Sponsors:** We are currently seeking sponsors from local businesses. Sponsors will be advertised in the program and mentioned by our host during the event. Please contact us if you are interested.

9 reasons to enter your Troupes into...

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1.

We have a **panel of three judges** for every Troupe section. The three judges' scores are added to make a total score out of 300. Now that's fair! Our industry professional judges are quite literally experts in the entertainment industry. Last year our panel included famous SYTYCD choreographer Juliette Verne.

2.

Our venue is not a professional facility (not a school hall). We are proud to boast one of the best auditoriums in the South-West. **Camden Civic Centre** features fully equipped lighting and sound, comfortable seating, audience size of over 600, a large stage and plenty of dressing room space.

3.

Australian Dance Challenge **celebrates good choreography** and promote choreographers. In our program we list the studio, the name of the routine and the choreographer. This information is also displayed on the competitor screen. Plus, we announce each competitor by studio and routine title – not only does this help hype up the dancers before they perform, but it also makes the whole event feel more like a show.

4.

The Australian Dance Challenge **audience is the best** you'll find anywhere. We ensure our audience is supportive and respectful for every performer. How do we do this? First we make sure that the lights are down in the audience. Second, we give out prizes to the most supportive audience members. Third we do everything we can to ensure your students perform at their very best, which means that our audience is always entertained.

6.

Australian Dance Challenge utilises **professional light and sound** equipment, which guarantees that your dancers will look great on stage. Our high-quality sound system ensures loud clear music that doesn't skip every time your troupe does a jump-split. To keep the competition fair, we have set lighting states in neutral colours.

7.

Our event **staff are dedicated, efficient and friendly**. The moment you arrive at the venue, you will be greeted by one of our easily identified event managers. The dressing room manager will notify you and your students when they will be required backstage, and our stage manager will direct your students while waiting in the wings and keep the show running smoothly. Plus we provide dozens of support staff, all there to answer your questions and help make this a **stress-free event** for all involved.

8.

You won't have to re-mortgage your house just to enter your studio's Troupe routines. All of our Troupe sections cost only \$20. Remember, that includes 3 different judge critiques and that we have a top quality venue with professional equipment. That's **great value!**

9.

Last year's Australian Dance Challenge was a huge hit! All studios involved raved about the professionalism and energy of our competition. We received dozens of great emails and phone calls from people who couldn't wait for ADC '08. So here we are, back by popular demand – and this year we have even more **exciting features and surprises** for you. Come and be part of this revolutionary dance event.

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- Rules and Conditions -

★ All ages are taken from the first date of the competition. Please note: Age limits for all sections must be strictly adhered to. This is not based on the average age of your troupe. Troupes may have a maximum of two performers that exceed the age limit of the section by 12 months.

Example: A troupe with nine dancers who are 8y/o, and two that are 9y/o, may perform in the 8/u section. A troupe with twelve dancers who are 10y/o, and three dancers who are 11y/o would have to perform in the 12/u section.

★ Music must be clearly labelled with studio name and song/item name. All music should be of good quality. Tapes and CDs will be accepted. There must be only one routine per tape or CD. It is recommended that you bring a spare copy of your music with you to the eisteddfod. It is essential that all music contains no swearing. Points will be deducted for inappropriate lyrics.

★ 'Song and Dance' sections music must be instrumental. Music should not have any pre-recorded vocals.

★ All troupe items have a 5-minute time limit. Duos/Trios have a 4 minute limit. Solos have a 3 minute limit. Points will be deducted if the routine exceeds this limit.

★ Impro attire should be plain dancewear. For Jazz, Modern Expressive and Contemporary styles the outfit should be form-fitting. Plain dancewear should be interpreted as any clothing that would be suitable in a dance class. No sequins, sparkles or other costume-like materials.

★ Sportsmanlike behaviour is expected at all times. Failure to display proper decorum could result in immediate disqualification.

The **Australian Dance Challenge SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD** will be awarded to the studio that displays respect, courtesy and support for other studios throughout the competition. The winner will be determined by the Stage Manager.

★ Australian Dance Challenge and staff are not responsible for personal injury or property loss.

★ Contestants will be judged by a panel of well-qualified judges, and all decisions of the judges will be accepted as final. If, through unforeseen circumstances, a judge is unable to perform his or her duties, the Australian Dance Challenge reserves the right to appoint a substitute without notice.

★ The number which each routine is assigned is basically for reference and identification purposes. We do run in numerical order, however, you may be asked to compete out of sequence in order to avoid a delay due to costume changes. Please be prepared to compete when we call your number, even though it may be a few numbers earlier than you anticipated.

★ **PHOTO TAKING and VIDEO TAPING IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED.** If video cameras are found in the competition auditorium Australian Dance Challenge reserves the right to take the video tape being used. Teachers, please inform your contestants and studio parents of this rule.

★ By entering, contestants grant permission to the directors of the Australian Dance Challenge to use photographs taken during the course of the event to promote its competitions.

★ Australian Dance Challenge reserves the right to cancel any section in which fewer than four entries have been received. In this case the Director may place the competitor in the next higher age group section, or refund entry fee. Australian Dance Challenge reserves the right to refuse any entry.

★ During the performance at any time, no parent or teacher shall be allowed on the stage or platform. No prompting or assistance of any kind may be given during the performance, except by the judges.

★ The decision of the Director, in all questions and disputes arising out of, or not provided for in these rules, shall be final. All entries are, therefore deemed to be made subject to this condition, and the decisions of the Director shall not be subject to any appeal at law as being contrary to the spirit of friendly competition.

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TROUPE SECTIONS:

Section #1	6/under	Jazz/Hip Hop
Section #2	6/under	Ballet/Modern Expressive
Section #3	6/under	Tap
Section #4	8/under	Jazz
Section #5	8/under	Hip Hop
Section #6	8/under	Tap
Section #7	8/under	Classical Ballet
Section #8	8/under	Modern Expressive/Contemporary
Section #9	8/under	Song & Dance
Section #10	10/under	Jazz
Section #11	10/under	Hip Hop
Section #12	10/under	Tap
Section #13	10/under	Classical Ballet
Section #14	10/under	Modern Expressive/Lyrical
Section #15	10/under	Modern Contemporary
Section #16	10/under	Song & Dance
Section #17	12/under	Jazz
Section #18	12/under	Hip Hop
Section #19	12/under	Tap
Section #20	12/under	Classical Ballet
Section #21	12/under	Modern Expressive/Lyrical
Section #22	12/under	Modern Contemporary
Section #23	12/under	Song & Dance
Section #24	14/under	Jazz
Section #25	14/under	Hip Hop
Section #26	14/under	Tap
Section #27	14/under	Classical Ballet
Section #28	14/under	Modern Expressive/Lyrical
Section #29	14/under	Modern Contemporary
Section #30	14/under	Song & Dance
Section #31	Open Age	Jazz
Section #32	Open Age	Hip Hop
Section #33	Open Age	Tap
Section #34	Open Age	Classical Ballet
Section #35	Open Age	Modern Expressive/Lyrical
Section #36	Open Age	Modern Contemporary
Section #37	Open Age	Song & Dance
Section #38	Adult Amateur (Any dance style)	
Section #39	Circus Skills/Acrobatics (Open age)	
Section #40	Student Choreography Troupe	
Section #41	Entertainment/Variety Troupe (Open Age)	

Do you want more sections to be made available? – Give us a call and make your suggestion.

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- Group Entry Form -

Studio/Group Name: _____

Postal Address: _____

Phone: _____ Mobile: _____

E-mail: _____ Principal/Director: _____

(If insufficient entries for are received, some sections will be combined with a similar style or age group).

#	Section	Routine Name or Song	No. Students	Choreographer
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Please refer to the attached syllabus for section numbers. You will receive a confirmation email prior to the printing of the program, to ensure all information is correct. Reminder: You may have a maximum of 2 dancers over the age limit in each routine. If insufficient entries are received for a section and it cannot be merged with another section, you will be contacted and refunded for that routine.

Please send entries to...
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 C/- 11 Pickets Place
 Currans Hill NSW 2567

**Entries close
 16th June**

__ routines x \$20 each	= \$
Program + Admin fee	= \$ 15
Donation	= \$
Total	= \$ _____

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- Solo Entry Form -

Name: _____

Age: _____ D.O.B: _____

Address: _____

Dance studio: _____

Home phone: _____

Dance teacher: _____

Mobile phone: _____

Additional info: _____

E-mail: _____

Please tick the appropriate boxes... (if insufficient entries for are received, sections will be combined with a similar style or age group).

SECTIONS	6/under	8/under	10/under	12/under	14/under	16/under	17/over
Jazz							
Hip Hop							
Fast Tap							
Slow Tap							
Waltz Tap							
Ensemble Tap							
Song & Dance							
Demi-Character							
Classical Ballet							
Modern Expressive							
Modern Contemporary							
Jazz Improvisation							
Tap Improvisation							
Hip Hop Improvisation							
Modern Expressive Improvisation							
Contemporary Improvisation							
Student Choreography							
Acrobatics/Circus							
Australian Dance Champion '08							

We are searching for the **Australian Dance Champion '08**. In this unique section, dancers are invited to perform their best routine of any dance style. The routine may be repeated from an earlier section. We will have three divisions: Junior (10/under), Pre-teen (14/under), Senior (15/over). The dancer with the highest score in each division will win a \$100 cash prize! One routine per student. Solos only.

Please make sure you read the attached Rules and Conditions document before sending your entry. All competitors perform at their own risk. Australian Dance Challenge is not liable for property damage or injury of competitors or spectators.

Duo/Trio Entries:

Jazz/Hip Hop Duo/Trio

partner(s) _____

Tap Duo/Trio

partner(s) _____

Classical/Modern Duo/Trio

partner(s) _____

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Program + Admin fee = \$ 15
Donation = \$
Total = \$ _____