



2021 Highland Dance Competition

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Saturday, August 21st, 2021

Brunswick, ME

(Returning to Thomas Point Beach!)

www.mainehighlandgames.org

Dance Events

Primary

1. 16 Pas de Basques
2. PdBs & High cuts (x4)
3. Fling (4)
4. Sword (2&1)

Beginner

5. Fling (4)
6. Sword (2&1)
7. Seann Truibhas (3&1)

Premier

15. Lilt (4)
16. Flora (4)
17. Earl of Errol (4)
18. Village Maid (4)

Novice

8. Fling (4)
9. Sword (2&1)
10. Seann Truibhas (3&1)

Intermediate

11. Fling (4)
12. Sword (2&1)
13. Seann Truibhas (3&1)
14. Barracks Johnnie (4)

Age groups and start time will be determined by number of entries received as we need to plan for COVID restrictions. Please be sure your email address on the entry form is written clearly to receive updates about event details in the week before the Games.

Entry Fees (US \$)

Primary \$20 Pre-Premier \$25 Premier \$30

Entry form & payment must be *received* by **August 8th**

NEW LOCATION

Returning to Thomas Point Beach & Campground
29 Meadow Rd, Brunswick, ME

For questions contact the organizer, Emily Kirkton,
at emily.kirkton@gmail.com

General Information

- S.O.B.H.D. Rules govern all events. The judge's decision is final. Note ScotDance USA COVID policies below.
- 2021 ScotDance card must be presented at registration.
- Ages are computed as of the day of the competition.
- Competitors will dance in reverse order of entry.
- \$1 from each entry donated to ScotDance USA.
- Age groups determined by entries received.
- All competitors are expected to comply with ScotDance USA Code of Ethics.
- Photographs and videos taken by parents/friends must be limited to your own dancer unless you are given permission from the dancer's parent/legal guardian.
- Organizer reserves the right to cancel, split, combine, add events, or make changes that follow RSOBHD rules.

Prizes

- Prizes for dances will be awarded in each class. Trophies will be awarded in each class *except* for Primary class.
- Cash prizes will be awarded in the oldest Premier age group as follows: 1st: \$45 2nd: \$35 3rd: \$25
- Special trophies:
 - Dancer of the Day (determined by dance-off)

Sponsorship Opportunities

Sponsors will be recognized at the event and on the Maine Highland Games website.

- Medal Set Sponsor \$15
- Trophy Sponsor \$30
- Dance Event Tent Sponsor \$100 (Since we're leaving our lovely barn behind for our new Games location, we need to add a large tent to cover the stage.)

ScotDance USA COVID-19 Policies

ScotDance USA Policies must be followed regardless of local directives unless the local rules are more restrictive. If local restrictions have been eased or removed, ScotDance USA policies must be followed.

- Every individual that enters the dancing area will need to sign an Assumption of Risk Waiver and complete a Day-of-Competition Waiver regarding COVID symptoms and exposure.
- Dancers must arrive in costume, completed hair, and make-up.
- Changing areas will not be available.
- Each dancer must present a valid 2021 SDUSA Registration card with the new sticker on the back.
- Socially distanced designated spaces will be available for dancers/family member.
- SDUSA requires all dancers at US competitions to wear face masks over their mouth and nose when they are not dancing on the competition stage. All dancers must wear their mask when they enter the competition stage. Dancers may remove their masks and place them in a paper bag placed at the back of the competition stage or opt to compete wearing the mask, whichever is more comfortable for the dancer. Dancers must wear their masks over their mouth and nose when they exit the competition stage.
- Extra masks will be available for those who forget to bring a mask or face covering.
- Hand sanitizer stations will be available throughout the venue.
- A paper bags with handles will be provided upon arrival for holding the dancer's mask and a separate bag for SDUSA Registration card.
- SDUSA Registration card must be in a zip lock bag when presenting at registration.
- SDUSA "Day of Competition Certificate" will need to be signed upon arrival.
- Only one dancer may register at a time and must practice social distancing while waiting in line.
- Competition numbers will be issued in a zip lock bag.
- The stage will not be available for warm-up. Dancer warm-up can be in either the designated family space or socially distanced outside the event perimeter.
- Water will not be available; all dancers must provide their own water and snacks.
- Awards will be placed in bags with the dancer's name and available for pickup at the awards table.
- Trophy winners will be awarded on stage.

See ["Recommendations for Competitions"](#) document for more details.

Games Ticket Information

Competitor ticket: Competitors registering by the deadline will receive a games entry ticket via mail. PLEASE NOTE: Any competitor whose entry form is received after August 8th must purchase a games entry ticket at the gate on the day of the competition. Tickets cannot be left at the entry gate and no entries will be accepted on the field.

Additional tickets: Please purchase additional tickets through PayPal on the Maine Highland Games website (www.mainehighlandgames.org) or by downloading and mailing the ticket entry form from the web site. You may also purchase additional tickets at the gate the day of the games.

Maine Highland Games Dance Competition Entry Form

Registration closing date: August 8th, 2021

Entry form and payment must be *received* by this date.

Dancer Name _____

Mailing Address _____

Email _____

Age on 8/21/21 _____ DOB _____

ScotDance # _____

Event Numbers ____/____/____/____

Please Select Category

Primary (\$20)

Beginner (\$25)

Novice (\$25)

Intermediate (\$25)

Premier (\$30)

To Add Sponsorship:

Medal Set (\$15)

Trophy (\$30)

Dance Tent (\$100)

Sponsorship Name to

Recognize: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____

With COVID restrictions we may need more volunteers than usual to help us run the dance competition. Please sign up here if interested in helping. Thanks!

Check here if you would like to volunteer.

Contact info if different from above:

Name: _____

Email: _____

Mail completed registration form with payment to:

Emily Kirkton
70 Bean Family Rd.
New Gloucester, ME 04260

Make checks payable to St. Andrew's Society of
Maine

Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope for return of confirmation papers. No field entries will be accepted.

I hereby, for myself, any heirs, representatives and administrator of any estate, waive and release any and all rights and claims I may have for loss or damages against the Maine Highland Games (MHG), their agents or representatives and the owner of the properties on which the Games are held, for any injuries and for any inconveniences which may be suffered by me during the Maine Highland Games. I agree to grant to MHG and its authorized representatives permission to photograph me and/or my child for use in promotional materials.

Signature (parent or guardian if under 18)

Print name

Date

Note from the Dance Competition Organizer



Hello. I am really looking forward to seeing you all this summer at the 2021 Maine Highland Games on August 21st. It will be very different, of course, but we'll do our best to make sure you have a safe and enjoyable experience here. I think it is important to note that Maine has, throughout the entire pandemic, been among the most successful states at combatting the spread of COVID-19. As I write this, we are 2nd in the nation for vaccination rates (we're coming for you, Vermont). If you feel safe enough to travel, you could hardly find a better place to visit than our great state.

The Games are lots of fun, of course, but another compelling reason to make the journey our way is to enjoy everything else Maine has to offer. The Games town, Brunswick, is perfectly located between Portland and areas Downeast (which is where many of the charming coastal communities are located). Below are some ideas on favorite local things to do. For more info, please go to visitmaine.com, or see my blog with family-friendly outing ideas at gearmeoutdoors.com/kids-in-the-woods. I love Maine and I am always happy to share info and advice for anyone coming to visit. Good luck to all the dancers as they travel and compete throughout the summer!

-Emily Kirkton / emily.kirkton@gmail.com

Nearby points of interest:

- Popham Beach State Park - big, beautiful beach about 30 minutes from Brunswick
- Wolfe's Neck State Park - easy hiking through deep woods and along the edges of the tidal Harraseeket River and the shores of Casco Bay, in Freeport
- Wolfe's Neck Center for Agriculture & the Environment – up close farm animal interactions, dairy barn, special events, hiking trails, great for kids. Also check out their ocean-front campground.
- Bradbury Mountain State Park - easy/moderate short hike to the top of a small mountain, with excellent views towards Casco Bay, near Freeport
- Fort Williams/Portland Headlight - beautiful and popular park where locals and visitors love to come for picnics, beach-going, kite-flying, fort-exploring, and visiting Portland Headlight lighthouse, in Cape Elizabeth
- Portland's Old Port - Portland is a small city with lots of personality. The Old Port area shows off the best in restaurants, bars, and unique shops. Take a harbor-side walk at Portland's Eastern Prom Park and rent kayaks or paddleboards from Portland Paddle (or take a guided tour). Take a ferry ride to Peaks Island where you can rent bikes or golf carts (reserve in advance).
- Freeport downtown - known as a shopping destination and home to the L.L.Bean flagship store, Freeport also has lots of great restaurants and outdoor experiences to offer (check out the L.L.Bean Outdoor Discovery Schools). Check out visitfreeport.com for more info.
- Brunswick downtown - a quick drive from the host hotel, Brunswick's Main St. is lined with great restaurants, shops, and the Bowdoin College campus. Walk or bike the trail along the Androscoggin River.
- Winslow Park - ocean-front park in Freeport with the best picnic table views around, a big playground, and a nice beach (at mid-tide or higher)
- Morse Mountain – take the easy hike over small Morse Mountain to the very secluded and pristine Seawall Beach (no facilities, BYO everything)
- Sebago Lake State Park – popular state park in the lakes region with sandy beaches on Maine's second-largest lake (get there early!)
- Camden Hills State Park – enjoy the quaint streets in the town of Camden and head into the state park for some excellent moderate-strenuous hiking with spectacular views (Mount Megunticook is my favorite)
- Boothbay Harbor – classic Maine seaside village with shops, restaurants, charming streets, and kayak rentals in the harbor. The Boothbay Botanical Gardens is beautiful and has a great kids' area. This year they have added a fantastic art installation with several huge, whimsical trolls all around the property.
- Finally, I'll mention my own Freeport business, GearME Outdoor Consignment & Rentals. In addition to selling second-hand outdoor gear we also rent canoes, kayaks, and camping equipment.