

COMPETITION RULES:

- Competition is governed by the rules and regulations of the Scottish Official Board of Highland Dance. www.sobhd.net
- The competitor's age will be as of July 15, 2017
- No changes in competition category will be accepted after July 10, 2017.
- All dancers must present a current registration card
- Age groups will be determined after the closing date.
- Three dancers constitute a class. Should fewer than three be present, the class may be combined.
- The competition organizer reserves the right to combine, split or eliminate classes on the day of the competition if necessary.
- Competitors will dance in inverse order of entry. Any dancer not on hand when his/her event is called may forfeit entry in that event.
- No one other than the competition committee may communicate with the judge. Any attempt to do so may result in disqualification of the competitor.
- The dance enclosure is restricted to dance competitors and Portland Highland Games personnel. Video and photographic equipment must remain outside the dance enclosure.
- Perpetual trophies are the property of the Portland Highland Games Association. Engraving is the winner's responsibility.
- Dancers in the Beginner section will only receive stamps for 1st, 2nd, 3rd prizes in Highland Dances.
- Dancers must remain in costume to receive awards.
- Protests must be made in writing, signed, accompanied by a \$20.00 fee, and given to the dance chairman before the end of the competition day.

SPECIAL PREMIER CHALLENGE EVENTS:

Town of Inverness Challenge, Premier 15 and Under:

Dancers finishing first, second or third overall in aggregate points in his/her age group qualify to dance in the challenge event. The 2017 challenge dance is the Highland laddie (4 steps).

First Place \$80.00, Second Place \$40.00, Third Place \$20.00

City of Roses Challenge, Premier 16 and Over:

Dancers finishing first, second or third in aggregate points overall in his/her age group qualify to dance in the challenge event. The 2017 challenge dance is the Highland Laddie (4 steps).

First Place \$100.00, Second Place \$50.00, Third Place \$25.00

JOHN McLOUGHLIN DANCE SCHOLARSHIPS:

A \$50.00 scholarship and a plaque will be awarded to the Premier dancer in each age group who is a resident of Oregon or Clark County, Washington with the highest aggregate points in all dancing events excluding the special challenge events. The scholarship will be paid directly to each winner's Highland Dance teacher.

AWARDS:

Medals

Medals will be awarded in all Primary and Pre Premier classes, as well as, Premier classes age 7 and under 16 years.

Cash Awards

**Premier 16 and Over
\$50/\$40/\$30/\$25/\$20/\$15**

Aggregate Trophies

Beginner, Novice, and Intermediate classes: All dances will count toward the aggregate.

Premier Classes: All dances will count toward the aggregate.

Notes: Awards will be presented on stage, time allowing.

The perpetual trophies will be presented to the winners on the dance stage after the

Inverness and City of Roses Challenges.

In compliance with the US Internal Revenue Service, all non-US residents who receive cash awards must have a current W-8BEN form on file. This form is current for 3 years provided that all the information, including the mailing address, has remained the same.

ENTRY INFORMATION:

Entries will be accepted online only through June 30, 2017.

Competitor numbers will be available at the Competitor Table located by the main entrance in the morning, and at the Will Call Booth in the afternoon.

Your dance number is your entry pass, and can be surrendered after competing for a wrist band at any gate.

Please notify Dance Chairman if you are unable to access online entry system.

Non-competitor admissions may be purchased online at a discounted price. May also buy tickets at the gate on the day of the games, or, The Scottish Country Shop, 3568 SE Powell Blvd, Portland, OR 97202 (503) 238-2528

Notify Dance Chairman of Pre-Premier category changes **no later than July 10, 2017.**

No Refunds.

**Direct all inquiries and category changes to:
Dance Chairman Jocelyn Case (503-358-5791)
Email: Highlanddancing@phga.org**

Check the PHGA website at www.phga.org for updates on the dance competition.