

# RULES

## CECCHETTI CHOREOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

- Competitors must be studying with a Cecchetti teacher.
- Competitors may dance in their own compositions and must comply with the age requirements. Dancers of any age may perform in their compositions. **All ages to be taken on the last day of February 2018.**
- Solos may nominate one choreographer. Duets may nominate two choreographers. Groups/Trios may nominate only one choreographer. If dancing in more than one item please write this on your application form. Details on entry forms cannot be altered once submitted.
- Dances must be entirely original and the sole work of the named entrant/entrants. Dances must not have been performed before, either at this competition or similar competitions, and should not have been performed, recorded or broadcast in any form of media prior to entry
- Time limit:

<b>Solo</b>	<b>1 ½ mins in all sections</b>
<b>Duets</b>	<b>2 mins in all sections</b>
<b>Trio/Group</b>	<b>2 ½ mins in the Junior and Middle sections</b>
<b>Tri/Group</b>	<b>3 mins in the Senior section</b>
- Numbers running over time will be faded out. This will be regarded as disqualification
- Tap dances are not accepted and classical dances should not be danced on pointe. Any form of gymnastic moves are performed at the competitor's own risk. **Please note the floor is unsuitable for acrobatic moves.**
- Costumes must be based on a leotard with at least half the leotard visible and only simple accessories as necessary. If this is not observed, competitors may be asked to simplify their costumes before performing. Masks covering the face are not acceptable. Small props can be used. Scenery is not permitted. No extra marks are awarded for costume.
- Competitors CD's will be collected upon arrival. The music must be at the beginning. On the cover only the competitor's name or the title of the dance must be CLEARLY marked. Please bring a spare CD copy of your music.
- Music for Junior and Middle sections must not contain vocals. Seniors may use music with vocals (please use your discretion and ensure the lyrics are appropriate.)
- Entry numbers must be returned and music collected at the check in desk in the foyer after the adjudication.
- There is a no food and drink policy during the competition. Participants will be provided with drinking water.
- The audience are to remain in their seats until the end of each section. Participants may not return to their parents until after their adjudication.
- If a participant is ill on the day and unable to perform in a duet or trio the other members of the dance may perform the piece but it will not be adjudicated.
- Competitors shall agree to abide by all the rules laid down for this competition and accept the Adjudicator's decision as final.

## CHOREOGRAPHIC COMPETITION INFORMATION

Teachers please photocopy this page and distribute to parents / guardians.

Venue: Cecil Sharp House, 2 Regents Park Road, London, NW1 7AY.

**This is a public building. Cecchetti Classical Ballet cannot be held responsible for the loss or damage of any personal belongings. Do not leave valuables unattended.**

The Choreographic Competition encompasses all forms of dance with the exception of tap dancing and we welcome all interpretations of dance. Our adjudicators are invited from a diverse area of dance and musical background, the results on the day are their personal opinion. If time allows and the adjudicator feels it is appropriate they have the choice to comment on individual participants.

Children must try to use music by lesser known composers therefore avoiding famous compositions. The style of music needs to interpret the theme with use of appropriate movements. Divide or join pieces of music with sensitivity to maintain a good sound quality with a clear start and end without breaking the phrasing of the music. This will allow the children to create and express themselves with a flow of movement.

<b>Junior Section</b>	<b>Arrive 9.45 am</b>	aged 7 years – 10 years
<b>Middle Section</b>	<b>Arrive 1.00 pm</b>	aged 11 years – 13 years
<b>Senior Section</b>	<b>Arrive 1.00 pm</b>	aged 14 years – 18 years

Tickets will be on sale at the door. Participants will not be charged to watch the competition.

Spectators: **Adults £9.00 Children (maximum age 16 years) £6.50 Programme £2.00**

NB: Children under 6 years of age will not be admitted into the auditorium.

**Competitors entry fee: Solo: £13.50 Duet: £23.50 Trio/Group: £32.50**

Photographs will be taken throughout this event by an official representative of the Cecchetti Society/ISTD.

The photographs may be used by the Cecchetti Society/ISTD for publicity purposes in print and on their official websites and also to illustrate articles in various dance related magazines, events and exhibitions. Current legislation requires that the parent or guardian of each participant under 18 years of age give permission for their child to be included in any photograph taken at this event. Participant over 18 years may sign for themselves. Dancers will not be allowed to participate without photographic permission.

Spectators are **NOT** allowed to photograph participants during the competition. Photographs will be available to order after the competition, full details will be provided at the competition and printed in the programme.