

Welcome to *Tremaine* Dance Conventions and Competitions!

MISSION STATEMENT:

To further Dance Education in a Positive and Motivational Environment through Master Classes with Top Professional Choreographers from Los Angeles and New York.

***TEACHERS: PLEASE POST OR HAND OUT THIS INFORMATIVE GUIDE TO YOUR PARENTS PRIOR TO REGISTERING FOR OUR CONVENTION.**

GENERAL INFORMATION:

- ★ **ALWAYS PRE-REGISTER with your studio to insure registration availability. On Site Registration is NEVER GUARANTEED and may be SOLD OUT. If we sell out, NO NEW REGISTRATION WILL BECOME AVAILABLE.**
- ▶ If you Pre-Registered with your studio, you must get your I.D. bracelets from your Teacher after they pick up their registration packet.
- ▶ **Convention Schedules**- available upon check-in at the Hotel Front Desk and numerous other locations including the Tremaine Merchandise Booth & Tremaine Registration Desk. Schedules are posted inside and outside each ballroom for the students.
- ▶ **Locating someone** with your group when you are not registered - please see a Tremaine Representative at the Tremaine Registration Desk. No one will be permitted into a ballroom without a wristband or a Tremaine Representative as an escort.
- ▶ **Please remind your dancers that they are in a public area and to observe standard safety practices**, such as staying in pairs or groups when going to and from their rooms, the restrooms, etc. **Also, for their safety and out of respect to other hotel guests, wear shoes and coverups.**

I.D. BRACELETS:

- ▶ **You must wear an I.D. bracelet to enter**-For the safety and security of your dancers, you must be registered with the convention as a Teacher, Asst. Teacher, Sr. Student, Teen Student, Jr. Student or Observer, with an I.D. bracelet, to enter the ballrooms.
- ▶ **Are attached by the Tremaine Wristband Helpers** at the convention to insure proper attachment. *If I.D. bracelets are attached incorrectly, the Room Guards will not allow you into the ballrooms, and you will need to obtain a new wrist band at the Registration Desk.*
- ★ **I.D. BRACELETS ARE NOT TO BE REMOVED FOR THE DURATION OF THE CONVENTION.** Lost or removed I.D. bracelets require full repayment of registration fees. **No Refunds. No Exceptions.**

PAID OBSERVERS:

- ★ **ALWAYS PRE-REGISTER WITH YOUR STUDIO TO INSURE REGISTRATION AVAILABILITY**
- ▶ **Fees** - may be found in the current Tremaine Brochure or www.TremaineDance.com under Tuition. *No free admission into classrooms.*
- ▶ **Parents or Non-Dancers ONLY**, attending with registered students in the Junior, Teen or Senior Ballrooms, may register as observers.
- ▶ **Cannot be** - Dancers, Teachers, Studio Owners, Managers or Children 3 years of age or under. (No exceptions)
- ▶ **I.D. bracelets** (Those registered for the entire convention) will allow you to observe in the Student Ballrooms, the Competition and the Faculty Show.
- ▶ One Day I.D. bracelets only allow you into Classes for the day of purchase.
- ▶ No Children under 3 years of age will be admitted into the Ballrooms during dance classes for any reason, without exception. This is for their safety.
- ▶ **No luggage or large items** allowed in Ballrooms, due to space and safety concerns. You may check items with the Hotel Bell Desk
- ▶ **All dance bags, ice chests, etc., must fit under hotel chairs in the teaching rooms in compliance with Fire Marshall regulations.** You may check items with the Bell Desk
- ▶ All chairs in ballrooms must remain against the walls for space and safety concerns. No outside chairs allowed in ballrooms or convention areas.

VIDEO RECORDING DEVICES & CAMERA EQUIPMENT PROHIBITED:

- ▶ **USE OF VIDEO RECORDING DEVICES OF ANY TYPE - including those on cell phones - IS PROHIBITED** at Tremaine Dance Conventions and Competitions. *No Video Recording Devices of any type allowed at the Convention or Competition.* No Camera Equipment allowed in ballroom area or competition that poses a danger (example: tripods)
- ★ **FLASH PHOTOS OK.**

AUDITIONS FOR SCHOLARSHIPS:

- ▶ **26 Scholarships are awarded by Tremaine in each city:**
 - **18 Convention Scholarships** (6 each- Jr., Teen & Sr.) - 1 tuition free convention valid for 1 year
 - **8 Yearlong Convention Scholarships** (4 each- Teen & Sr.) - Tuition free conventions for 1 year
- ▶ **Age Divisions: Jr 6-10, Teen 11-13, Sr 14 & Up**
- ★ **Eligibility** - All full-convention paid Jr., Teen, Sr. & Asst. Teacher registrants may audition. **NOTE: Auditions are by AGE divisions, NOT I.D. bracelet colors. Dancers could, based on their age, audition in a ballroom different than their actual classroom.**
- ▶ **Only Auditioning Dancers are allowed in the audition.** Dancers are encouraged to audition, and are not allowed to only watch the audition. If a dancer is cut, then we encourage them to stay and observe until the end.
- ▶ **No sign-up list or fee.** You must be in the appropriate ballroom for the audition *prior to the start time.*
- ★ **Auditions start promptly.** *Only Teachers may enter after the doors have closed.* **NO EXCEPTIONS FOR ANY REASON.**
- ★ **Exiting the Audition for any reason - You WILL NOT be allowed back into the Ballroom until the audition is over.**
- ▶ **Audition Material** - The audition consists of New Material. (Audition choreography has not been taught in classrooms.)
 - Ballet Combination Taught * performed by dancers in groups * cuts are made
 - Jazz Combination Taught * performed by dancers in groups * cuts are made
- ▶ **Announcement of Winners** - Winners are chosen from those finalists and are announced before the Faculty Show on the last day.

COMPETITION:

- ▶ **Competition Tickets** are available the day of competition, at the Tremaine Merchandise Booth for \$5- each. ***Fully paid convention registrants do not need a ticket.** *Anyone not registered or registered for only one day will need a ticket to attend the competition.*
- ▶ **Children 6 & under** admitted free with a paid adult.
- ▶ **Showroom Opens** 30 minutes prior to Competition Start Time. There is General Seating with a raised stage.
- ▶ **The first two rows** of the audience are reserved for **Teachers with Competition Numbers Only.**
- ▶ **PROGRAMS** are given out at the door as you enter. *A line up will be posted by approximately 9:30 a.m. the morning of competition.*
- ▶ We average 20 competition numbers per hour, plus awards. *Please see line up to help approximate when your numbers will go on stage*
- ▶ **Audience Entrances & Exits** - Enter and Exit on the applause between numbers **ONLY** out of respect to the dancers on stage. Once the next number begins the doors are closed.

PARENTS FORUM WITH JOE TREMAINE:

- ▶ For Parents of Dancers only (no I.D. bracelet required).
- ▶ Joe Tremaine discusses your child's dance education.
- ▶ **No Admittance** to - Children, Teachers, Studio Owners, Studio Managers, Studio Staff nor their Spouses. **No Exceptions!**
- ▶ **Attend and participate in a drawing for a chance to win a FREE tuition for your dancer.**

FACULTY SHOW:

- ▶ **Scholarship Winners Announced** >PLUS< Performances by the Tremaine Faculty, Assistants and the Tremaine Dancers of the Year.
- ▶ **Free to the Public.** "Faculty Show Line" sign will be posted outside showroom, where a line for guests *without I.D. bracelets* will form.
- ▶ **All Students, Classrooms and People with I.D. Bracelets** will be merged into showroom, then the outside line will be brought in.
- ▶ **General Seating on the floor.** For safety concerns, **Absolutely NO Chairs** are to be brought away from the walls or to the center of the floor.
- ▶ **NOTICE TO PARENTS & TEACHERS:** *Dancers will not exit their ballroom unless you inform them to meet you elsewhere. Please make those arrangements at lunch on the last day of the convention.*
- ▶ **DO NOT MEET in or at CLASSROOM DOORWAYS.** *This congestion could cause a safety hazard to your dancers inside the room.*
- ▶ **3:30 p.m.** - The Faculty Show and Convention conclude by approximately 3:30 p.m.

For more information, visit us at www.TremaineDance.com

