

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!**

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

