



## Overseas Taoli Cup World Dance Competition 2016-2017

# RULES

- I. The panel of judges consists of renowned experts from China, U.S. and other countries. Under the supervision of the Planning Committee, the judges will evaluate the performances; the panel's decision shall serve as the determination of the competition.
- II. Competition Categories
  - A. Entry Level
    - Amateur  
This competition category is reserved for competitors whose primary purpose in learning and practicing dance is for personal interest or pleasure.
    - Professional  
This competition category is reserved for competitors whose primary purpose in learning and practicing dance is to develop their techniques as a professional in the performing arts. Current students and graduates from schools/academies that offer degrees in dance will enter in this category.
  - B. Dance Categories:
    - Chinese Folk Dance
    - Chinese Classic Dance
    - Ballet
    - Modern Dance
    - Contemporary Dance
    - International Ballroom Dance
    - Tap
    - Jazz
    - Hip-Hop



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### C. Group Categories

- Solo:  
Soloists are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.
- Duet:  
Duet performers are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.
- Trio:  
Trio performances are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.
- Group:  
Group performances are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.

### D. Time Limit

- Solo / Duet / Trio: Maximum of 3 minutes
- Group: Maximum of 6 minutes
- A point one (0.1) point deduction will be made for every 30 seconds the dance exceeds the time limit.

### E. Age Categories (as of 7/1/2016)

Amateur Level	Professional Level
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Young Children: 5-7</li> <li>● Children Group A: 8-10</li> <li>● Children Group B: 11-12</li> <li>● Teen Group A: 13-15</li> <li>● Teen Group B: 16-18</li> <li>● Young Adult: 19-35</li> <li>● Adult Group A: 36-49</li> <li>● Adult Group B: 50 and above</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Teen Group A: 13-15</li> <li>● Teen Group B: 16-18</li> <li>● Young Adult: 19-35</li> <li>● Adult: 36 and up</li> </ul>

- For group performances, the average age of the entire group will be used to determine the age category.



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### F. Prizes

- By Categories and Groups based on judges' points:
  - Platinum - Average score 95 and above
  - Gold - Average score 90 and above
  - Silver - Average score 85 and above
  - Bronze - Average score 80 and above
  - Finalists without a prize will receive an Outstanding Performance award.
- Contestants who competed in both Regional and Finals competitions in person will receive a Best Participation Award
- Recipient of Best Participation Award and Gold award in the Finals will receive the Taoli Honors Award
- Outstanding Choreographer Award: Gold Prize winners' original choreography (indicated in contestants' entry forms)
- Award for Teaching Excellence: instructors with three or more Taoli Honors Award entries
- Any of the above mentioned awards can be unfulfilled

### G. Music

- Competitors are responsible for providing their own music
- Music file must be emailed to [redshoesdancecanada@gmail.com](mailto:redshoesdancecanada@gmail.com) one month before the Competition. Late file submissions may not be accepted.
- Music file must be in ".mp3" format. Other format will not be accepted.
- Competitors are required to bring at least one backup CD on the day of the competition in the event of a technical malfunction.

### H. Additional Requirement

- Dances should be suitable for audience of any age
- Any promotion of religious beliefs and/or political propaganda is prohibited.

### III. Competition Fees

- Solo: C\$130 per dance
- Duet/Trio: C\$65 per dancer per dance
- Small Group (4-10 dancers): C\$40 per dancer per dance
- Large Group (11 and up): C\$26 per dancer per dance



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- Registration for the Vanstar Financial Inc. Canada Overseas Taoli Cup World Dance Competition 2016-2017 opens from now to 11:59 pm, September 29, 2016
- Each group must transfer the full amount (in Canadian dollars) of the registration fee to the designated bank and is responsible for any corresponding bank charges. The Red-Shoe Dancers Association of Canada will send the confirmation email upon receiving the full payment and final registration form.
- The Red-Shoe Dancers Association of Canada will upload all candidates' pictures, performance videos and relevant information to competition organizer Pan-America Chinese Dance League, and will select winning dances to compete in the Los Angeles Final to be held on January, 2017.
- Please register ASAP as space is limited.