



# RIVER CITY BALL 2010 USA Dance Portland Chapter Competition Information

**Welcome . . .** We are pleased to invite you to attend USA DANCE Portland Chapter's Amateur Competition **RIVER CITY BALL 2010** to be held on **Saturday, July 17, 2010** at the **Scottish Rite Temple, 1512 SW Morrison, Portland, OR**. This event promises a full day and night of ballroom dance competitions from Newcomer to Championship level events.

There will be a Welcome Dance **Friday night, July 16** at **Norse Hall in conjunction with Sesame Club**. They will be offering USA Dance members admission at Sesame Club members' price - just **\$6.00!** A lesson will begin at **7:30 p.m.** with dancing from **8:30 to 11:30 p.m.** For more information, please visit their website at [www.sesameclub.org](http://www.sesameclub.org). Saturday will host our Amateur Competition featuring all styles of ballroom dancing, formation team competition, fun events and general dancing.

So get your dancing shoes ready for a full weekend of exciting dance, entertainment and competition!

**For More Information . . .**  
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## Preliminary Events Schedule

### FRIDAY, JULY 16

#### Welcome Dance

**Time: 7:30 PM - 11:30 PM**

**Place: Norse Hall**

**Address: 111 NE 11th Ave., Portland, OR**

### SATURDAY, JULY 17

**1:30 PM - 2:30 PM** - Practice time for Youth Competitors

**2:30 PM - 4:45 PM** - Youth Competition

**4:45 PM - 5:00 PM** - Youth Awards

**5:00 PM - 6:30 PM** - Practice time for Adult and Formation Team Competitors

**6:30 PM - 10:10 PM** - Adult and Formation Team Competitions including Jack & Jill and General Dancing  
**10:10 PM** - Adult Awards

**TIMES ARE TENTATIVE AND SUBJECT TO CHANGE. Please check our website [www.rivercityball.com](http://www.rivercityball.com) for the latest updates.**

## Registration Fees/Spectator Tickets

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| Competitor, Adult . . . . .         | \$30.00 |
| Competitor, Youth . . . . .         | \$20.00 |
| Spectator, Adult . . . . .          | \$25.00 |
| Spectator, Youth (18 & Younger) . . | \$15.00 |

Spectator ticket price includes both afternoon and evening session.

## Program Advertising

River City Ball offers great promotional opportunities. Advertising rates are as follows:

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|-------------------------|---------|
| Full Page . . . . .     | \$75.00 |
| Half Page . . . . .     | \$50.00 |
| Quarter Page . . . . .  | \$25.00 |
| Business Card . . . . . | \$20.00 |

*10% discount is available to all USA Dance members. Please, have your membership card no. ready when placing your order.*

## Vendors Tables

We invite vendors to reserve a space to display merchandise at the cost of \$75.00 per table, and take advantage of a 50% discount for a full-page ad in the competition program. Tables will be booked on a first-come first-serve basis.

## Sponsorships

We will be offering an opportunity to sponsor scholarships. You may pick the event or age group to whom you would like the scholarship awarded. You will be offered the chance to personally award the scholarship that you have given at our event and you will receive a personal thank you in our program.

For more information on these exciting ways to support our event, please contact Roy or Lori Aveling at [laveling@comcast.net](mailto:laveling@comcast.net).

## Eligibility

Competitors must be amateur athlete members of USA DANCE in good standing. Each competitor's USA



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## USA Dance Portland Chapter

### Competition Information

DANCE membership number and expiration date are required to register. You do not need to be a member for one dance events or newcomer level. **Please make sure to bring your membership card.**

**A couple shall not compete in any classification below the minimum proficiency level for which they are eligible.**

A competitive couple consists of a male and a female dancing in a partnership.

**Newcomers** - A membership card is not required. The Newcomer category is intended only for those who have never danced or have only danced once as an amateur in any competition, Pro-Am, all amateur or otherwise.

The organizers reserve the right to combine or cancel events if there are fewer than three couples entered. Events with eight or more couples may be separated into two or more heats at the discretion of the Chairman of Judges.

#### General Format and Entry Divisions

A competitor may not compete in more than two consecutive proficiency classifications in the same age group or style.

**Newcomers** may dance Newcomer and Bronze only.

**Bronze** students may dance Bronze and Silver only.

**Silver** students may dance Silver and Gold only.

**Gold** students may dance Gold and Novice only.

To ensure that we stay on schedule, dancers may not be required to dance all dances of their multi-dance event in early rounds of syllabus events. All dances will be danced in the final, however. For example, in International Standard Silver, Walt/Quickstep may be danced in the quarterfinal, Waltz/Tango may be danced in the semi-final and all three dances will be danced in the final.

#### Dress Code

##### **RULE CHANGES - NEW THIS YEAR!!**

There have been rule and dress code changes. For information regarding proper dress codes, please see the 2010 USA Dancesport Rulebook on our website at [www.rivercityball.com](http://www.rivercityball.com). If you are in any doubt and have

questions, please contact our Costume Invigilator, Stefanie Reid at [smord@hevanet.com](mailto:smord@hevanet.com).

#### Special attention to these rules:

1. Adult, Youth, Junior and Pre-teen Syllabus Levels are NOT PERMITTED to wear costumes. Senior syllabus may wear costumes.

2. A competitor may not compete in more than two consecutive proficiency levels within a dance style and age category. Please note that Novice is now between

Gold and Pre-Champ and couples entering novice may dance only Gold and Novice or Novice and Pre-Champ.

3. Specific costume rules for this competition are posted under Competitor, Costume.

Competitors in any category, who wear attire deemed by the Judges or Organizers to be unsuitable for the category, will be requested to change. If such request is not followed the competitor's entry will be cancelled and no refund will be allowed.

#### Age Classifications

The following is based upon the individual's birthday occurring within the calendar year.

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| Pre-teen . . . . .   | 11 or younger |
| Junior . . . . .     | 12 to 15      |
| Youth . . . . .      | 16 to 18      |
| Adult . . . . .      | 19 or older   |
| Senior I . . . . .   | 35 or older   |
| Senior II . . . . .  | 45 or older   |
| Senior III . . . . . | 55 or older   |

A couple's age classification is defined as the age of the older partner of Pre-teen, Junior, Youth and Adult Classes. For Senior Classes, it is defined as the age of the younger partner.

#### Syllabus Restrictions

Figures that will be allowed can be found in the above-referenced 2010 USA Dancesport Rulebook in Appendix 8.



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**REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS JULY 10, 2010,** in order to have your name appear in the program.

All competitors must check in with the Deck Captain fifteen (15) minutes before they are scheduled to dance. Any competitor who does not take the floor when called by the Emcee will face disqualification from that event. The organizers will not delay events for latecomers.

In accordance with USA DANCE rules, time will be allowed between rounds of any one event; however, this time will be used to run other events. Where possible, different age categories will be run. However, competitors should be aware that entering multiple events and age categories may result in less than a normal break period, and may cause difficulty in changing costumes.