



**2021 Riverfront Dancesport Festival**  
**Safety and News Updates!**  
(Updated 12-6-20)

Dear Dance Friends,

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome you to the 2021 Riverfront Dancesport Festival. We are committed to running this year's event and look forward to seeing our wonderful dance family soon.

We have been working hard to plan this year's event with all the necessary and current state mandated safety guidelines (below) that will have everyone competing again.

<http://coronavirus.ohio.gov/wps/portal/gov/covid-19/resources/public-health-orders>

We are excited that in these unprecedented times we can continue to run when so many other events this year on the competition calendar have gone by the wayside. Your health and safety is our Number 1 priority. We look forward to seeing you for another spectacular Riverfront Dancesport Festival.

Here are some RF Dancesport Safety and News updates:

- Due to the uncertainty of the potential size of the event, we ask that competitors who are interested to please send their entries in as soon as possible and/or notify us of your intention to compete. This will give us an idea on what to expect for the overall size so we can gauge interest and continue planning accordingly. There will be no fees for cancelled entries this year.

- All 2021 Forms have been recently updated at our web site. Please use the latest forms when you submit your entries!
- Please note that we ask that every teacher, student, and amateur, everyone must sign the Waiver form prior to entering the ballroom. This form is available on the Registration page of our web site and must be submitted along with your entry forms.
- Spectator/Admission tickets will be limited and should be ordered in advance. Seating for spectators and competitors will be assigned, as well as spaced out according to state and hotel guidelines.
- Please Note - We will be limiting the amount of people allowed in the Ballroom to a maximum of 200 people for the ENTIRE BALLROOM.
- We will for this year have a larger ballroom space in order to implement greater social distancing.
- At this time, we are not planning to have an on-deck area, thus allowing competitors to enter and exit the dance floor from their assigned seats.
- For this year's events, we plan to schedule by levels: for example, all Bronze events and awards, and do the same with Silver, Gold, and Open events.
- The only awards to be given out in the ballroom will be Multi-dance and Scholarships. We will be adhering to strict social distancing guidelines at all times throughout the event.
- Temperatures checks will be taken and required to enter the ballroom, and sanitizing of all touch surfaces will be done frequently (as per state and hotel guidelines.)
- The hotel is currently requiring all individuals in all public spaces to wear a mask. Hyatt Hotel safety guidelines are below:  
<http://www.hyatt.com/en-US/info/care-and-cleanliness-americas>
- All Staff, Audience and competitors are **required to wear a mask** while in the ballroom and all public places.
- All teachers, Am/Am, and Juniors will be **required to wear a mask or face shield** while actively competing on the dance floor.
- All adult Pro/Am students will be **required to wear a mask or face shield** when competing on the dance floor.
- If you choose to complete a COVID-19 test within a week prior to the competition and bring the results, with the COVID-19 negative results, it will allow you to dance without a mask. Please keep in mind that while in the ballroom and hotel property, mask rules are still in place.
- There will be a separate entrance and exit doors into and out of the ballroom.

- Hand sanitizer will be easily accessible throughout the ballroom and surrounding areas.
- A wrist band will be issued this year for all package holders to help with less social contact when entering and exiting the ballroom.
- Due to COVID-19, we may need to implement schedule changes for this year. For the latest schedule updates, please visit our web site: [RiverfrontDancesport.com](http://RiverfrontDancesport.com)
- The Registration and Prices file is password protected. Please call, email, or text to obtain password. (Please see our Contact Us page for contact info.)
- There will be lecture on Friday evening with Kimberley Mitchell and Donald Johnson. (He Said, She Said.)
- Additional safety measures that will be in place: Hotel signage in public spaces will remind guests to maintain social distancing. (Traffic Flow Decals, Hand Sanitizer and Sanitizing Wipes).
- Safety information for the Hyatt hotels is available at their web site. <http://hyatt.com/en-us/info/care-and-cleanliness-america>

Please let us know if you have any other questions or concerns. Our contact info is on our web site, or during the week of the event, please check at our Registration desk right outside of the Ballroom.

Sincerely,

Bill Sparks and Gert Roslender  
Organizers:  
2021 Riverfront Dancesport Festival

