**CECCHETTI BALLET**

 **ASSOCIATES**

**RULES**

**CECCHETTI BALLET ASSOCIATES CHOREOGRAPHIC COMPETITION**

* Competitors may dance in their own compositions and must comply with the age requirements. Dancers of any age may perform in their compositions. **All ages to be taken on the 1st Sep 2022.**
* Solos may nominate one choreographer. Duets may nominate two choreographers. Groups may nominate only one choreographer. If dancing in more than one item please write this on your application form. Details on entry forms cannot be altered once submitted.
* Dances must be entirely original and the sole work of the named entrant/entrants. Dances must not have been performed before, either at this competition or similar competitions, and should not have been performed, recorded or broadcast in any form of media prior to entry.
* Time limit: **Solo 1 ½ mins in all sections**

 **Duets 2 mins in all sections**

 **Group 2 ½ mins in the Junior and Middle sections**

 **Group 3 mins in the Senior section**

Numbers running over time will be faded out. This will be regarded as disqualification.

* Tap dances are not accepted and classical dances should not be danced on pointe. Any form of gymnastic moves are performed at the competitor’s own risk. **Please note the floor is unsuitable for acrobatic moves.**
* Costumes must be based on a leotard with at least half the leotard visible and only simple accessories as necessary. If this is not observed, competitors may be asked to simplify their costumes before performing. Masks covering the face are not acceptable. Small props can be used. Scenery is not permitted. No extra marks are awarded for costume.
* From this year music will be submitted in digital form. We will only accept one of these three file formats. **WAV, FLAC or MP3 (320kbps).** Instructions on how to create these files can be easily found online. Competitors will then be provided with a link and full instructions on where you can upload the file ready for use on the day.
* Please also bring the music file on a USB stick on the day as a backup. The USB stick must ONLY contain the music file and nothing else.

* Music for Junior and Middle sections must not contain vocals. Seniors may use music with vocals (please use your discretion and ensure the lyrics are appropriate).
* Entry numbers must be returned after the adjudication.
* There is a no food and drink policy during the competition. Participants will be provided with drinking water.
* The audience are to remain in their seats until the end of each section. Participants may not return to their parents until after their adjudication.
* If a participant is ill on the day and unable to perform in a duet or trio the other members of the dance may perform the piece but it will not be adjudicated.
* Competitors shall agree to abide by all the rules laid down for this competition and accept the Adjudicator’s decision as final.