



## **Costa Mesa Event Protocols and Restrictions For Attending Studios** **Hilton Orange County Costa Mesa - Catalina Ballroom**

*In these uncertain times, we are honored to be hosting an event where dancers have the opportunity to shine! Please be aware that the following protocols and restrictions are going to be **strictly enforced** for the **safety and well-being** of **all studios as well as our team members**. Your Director will be reaching out to you prior to your attendance to discuss any details in regards to your scheduled performance time.*

### **GENERAL REMINDERS:**

- Our competition's number ONE priority and ability to host an event for your dancers is solely based on the health and safety of all attendees. **Masks are required at all times by any person who enters the venue area. Any guest violating this requirement will be escorted off the premises. Please inform your families of the importance of complying with this rule!**
- **DANCERS ARE NOT REQUIRED TO WEAR MASK WHILE PERFORMING ON STAGE.**
- For the remainder of the 2021 dance season we will no longer be live streaming our events. This decision has been made due to an increase with having an actual audience in the venue as well as a copyright issue we have encountered with our live streaming platform.
- Once your schedule has been set final, it cannot be changed at the event.

### **TEACHER WALKTHROUGH & CHECK-IN:**

- **Studio owners and all teachers** please arrive **1 hour before** the first performance for a walkthrough of the venue explaining the layout of the area, direction of traffic, dressing rooms, and to pick up the studios wristbands for dancers, staff and approved number of guests that will be in the attendance.
- Please inform your **dancers and parents** to arrive **no earlier than 30 minutes** before their scheduled performance time.
- **Limited Venue Capacity:** The Venue Capacity is based upon the number of available chairs in the Catalina Ballroom. **There are a maximum of 90 seats available**, therefore please email me with the number of teachers and number of guests **not to exceed** 90 that you plan on having in attendance for occupancy approval so we can prepare your participation wristbands. **Please email to [cierra@dancekar.com](mailto:cierra@dancekar.com) no later than June 7th.**
- Teachers & Parents can share wristbands passing them back and forth as they enter and exit the ballroom. They can hold them in their hand and not secure them.
- It will be the studio's responsibility to disperse wristbands for each approved guest/teacher/dancer upon arrival. **EACH GUEST/TEACHER ENTERING THE BALLROOM MUST HAVE A WRISTBAND.**
- Teachers & Parents can wait in the Fountain Terrace between performances while waiting to enter the ballroom.
- **DANCERS MAY NOT REHEARSE IN ANY COMMON AREAS OF THE HOTEL**, this includes in the lobby, restaurant, outdoor tent and space in front of the dressing rooms.

## DRESSING ROOMS:

- Dressing rooms are available and will be limited in the number of dancers per dressing room. Please be sure to follow the signage for each dressing room's maximum capacity. Bristol 1 = Boys Dressing Room, Bristol 3 = 60

## PERFORMANCE TIME:

- After check-in, dancers will drop off any bags to the dressing rooms and report to the backstage area.
- Please have dancers arrive in full first costume and ready to perform.
- Dancers may only remove masks for the live on stage performances.
- Please make sure each dancer brings a ziploc bag **labeled with his/her name** for the mask to be placed in during performances.
- **Dancers must immediately put masks back on after the performance.**
- We request that your teachers enforce face coverings as well as assist with the flow of the dancers from holding areas to the set.

## PROPS:

- Props are very limited for the venue space, hand held props only are suggested.
- All props must go **immediately** in and out for each performance - they can not be stored in the venue and there is no space in the backstage area to hold props or build them.

## AFTER PERFORMANCE:

- You will receive all of your General (Adjudication) Awards at the conclusion of your segment. No onstage announcements of general awards placements will take place during the competition.
- We ask that all awards be distributed in the parking lot or off the premises.
- All High Point, Photogenic and Title/Dancer of the Year awards:
  - **NEW:** You can pick up your Awards 2.5 hours after the last performance of the weekend or they will be shipped to your studio within approximately 4-6 weeks after the competition.
- Our awards ceremonies will now be available for playback via our YouTube channels. Please make sure you are subscribed and receive notifications of video uploads. All award ceremonies will be available on Tuesday at 12pm PST after the competition weekend. There will also be a live link to the presentation on the results page of the competition city you attended.  
<https://www.youtube.com/user/dancekar>
- Score sheets and judges commentary will be available upon the conclusion of the on Wednesday following the event in your Studio Center.