

Rules and Regulations

Event Policies

- Food or drinks (with the exception of water in spill-proof containers) are **not** allowed inside the gymnasium. This policy will be strictly enforced.
- The Claremont Colleges Ballroom Dance Company and Pomona College are not liable for any injuries that may occur during the course of this event. All dancers compete at their own risk.
- The Claremont Colleges Ballroom Dance Company and Pomona College are not liable for the loss, theft, or damage of any property during the course of this event. All dancers/attendees are responsible for their own property.
- The Claremont Colleges Ballroom Dance Company reserves the right to cancel and/or reschedule any event.
- Personal cameras and video cameras will be allowed. All dancers/attendees should be aware that they can and may be photographed and/or videotaped while at this event. Everyone attending this event hereby consents to being photographed and/or videotaped while at this event.
- There will be no refunds or exchanges.
- The Judges' decisions are final.

Eligibility Requirements

- This competition is restricted to amateur dancers.
- The Newcomer category is for dancers who have never competed or have been dancing for less than one year. Newcomer dancers are restricted to the Bronze syllabus.
- All Newcomer, Bronze, and Silver events are Closed Syllabus only. Failure to comply with these guidelines will result in immediate disqualification. Please refer to USA Dance (<http://usadance.org/dancesport/forms-and-resources/rules-policies-and-bylaws/>) for syllabus guidelines.
- Gold Single Dance and all Multi-Dance events are either Closed or Open Syllabus.
- Any individual may compete at their level and one level above in both Single Dance and Multi-Dance events (e.g. Silver and Gold Latin or Novice and Pre-Novice Latin).
- Nightclub dances are “anything goes” (lifts, tricks, etc. are acceptable) and are all levels.

Attire and Costumes

- Nice, casual dress is acceptable for spectators at all events.
- No shorts or ripped jeans are allowed for competition.
- All shoes worn by competitors **must not** have the capacity to damage the gym floor.

- All ladies' heels **must** have heel protectors. These may be store-bought heel protectors, suede taped to the heel, a piece of masking or electrical tape, etc.
- Costumes are optional, but not required, at all levels of competition.