

***The Western Region of
FUSTA
Proudly Presents***

***The 33rd Annual
United States
Inter-Regional
Championships***



July 10-14th, 2013

**Hyatt Regency Scottsdale Resort and Spa at Gainey Ranch
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<http://usir2013.fusta.us/>

**Sanctioned by and Conducted Under the Rules of the
Scottish Official Board of Highland Dancing**

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM AND SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Judges:

**Sandra Bald Jones • Lynne Hamilton • Janice MacQuarrie
Linda Rankin • Aileen Robertson • Jill Young**

Pipers: Drew Bacon • Matt Turnbull

USIR 2013 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

(Start times are subject to change based on the number of entries received.)

Friday July 12, 2013

9:30 – 9:50 Premier National Challenge Check In

10:00 Premier National Challenge

Please be sure to review the General Rules. Steps must be danced in order listed.

Set Steps Premier 15 and Under

Scottish Lilt	Flora MacDonald	Blue Bonnets	Irish Jig (3/1)
1	1	1	Choice of intro
2	3	2	1 – w/ Cramp Roll finish for bars 15 & 16
5	5	3	2 - turning must be introduced
8	6	6	11
			8 - w/ hitch kick to end

Set Steps Premier 16 and Over

Village Maid	Blue Bonnets	Earl of Errol	Sailor's Hornpipe
1	1	1	Alt Intro w/ shake break
4	3	3	1
5	4	5	2
6	6	6	11
			16 - double cutting must be introduced

Note: Male dancers must use Male methods in all above listed dances where applicable.

11:30 – 11:50 Choreography Check In

12:00 Choreography competition

Solo Age groups to be determined by the number of entries. Limited to the first ten (10) entries per age group

Duet Limited to the first five (5) entries

Group Limited to the first five (5) entries

2:30 – 2:50 Pre-Premier Check-In

3:00 Pre-Premier Competition

Primary	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate
16 PdB's	Highland Fling (4)	Highland Fling (4)	Highland Fling (4)
PdB's and Hicuts	Scottish Lilt (4)	Scottish Lilt (4)	Scottish Lilt (4)
Highland Fling (4)	Flora MacDonald (4)	Flora MacDonald (4)	Flora MacDonald (4)
Sword Dance (2&1)			

Saturday July 13, 2013

United States Inter Regional Championship (Open only to qualifying finalists from each US Region)

9:00 Morning Events: 7 & Under 12 • 12 & Under 14 • 14 & Under 16

12:30 Afternoon Events: 16 & Under 18 • 18 & Over

Sunday, July 14, 2013

9:00 – 9:20 Restricted Premier and Pre-Premier Check In

9:30 Restricted Premier and Pre-Premier Competition

(Please see Rule 17 to see if you qualify to participate in this competition.)

Primary	Beginner	Novice	Intermediate	Restricted Premier
16 PdB's	Trophy Fling (4)	Trophy Fling (4)	Trophy Fling (4)	Highland Fling (4)
PdB's and Hicuts	Sword Dance (2&1)	Sword Dance (2&1)	Sword Dance (2&1)	Sword Dance (2&1)
Highland Fling (4)	Seann Triubhas (3&1)	Seann Triubhas (3&1)	Seann Triubhas (3&1)	Seann Triubhas (3&1)
Sword Dance (2&1)	½ Tulloch	½ Tulloch	½ Tulloch	½ Tulloch

12:00 – 12:20 Desert Classic Championship Check In

12:30 Desert Classic Championships (2013 steps must be danced)

7 & Under 11 Years • 11 & Under 13 Years • 13 & Under 16 Years • 16 & Under 19 Years • 19 & Under 22 Years • 22 Years & Over

OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Please complete one form per dancer.



OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: March 1, 2013
CLOSING DATE: Entries must be postmarked by June 10, 2013

Please make check payable to FUSTA USIR 2013 and send entry form and payment to:

Kyla Groeschel • 7046 Lime Grove Way • Fair Oaks, CA 95628
 Phone: 916-849-0000 • E-mail: kyla@highlanddance.com

Alternatively, entries can be emailed (but must be received by midnight PST June 10, 2013) to kyla@highlanddance.com & payment made through PayPal at: usir2013@fusta.us.

DANCER'S NAME (please print) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE/PROV _____ COUNTRY, ZIP _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CELL NUMBER _____ EVENING NUMBER _____

BIRTH DATE _____ AGE AS OF JULY 12, 2013 _____

TEACHER/SCHOOL _____

SOBHD REGISTRATION# _____

PLEASE MARK THE EVENTS BELOW THAT THE DANCER WILL BE COMPETING IN:

FRIDAY

Premier National Challenge	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Solo Choreography	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Duet Choreography	\$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Group Choreography	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Pre-Premier	\$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

SUNDAY

Pre-Premier	\$15.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Restricted Premier Highland	\$20.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
Desert Classic Championships	\$30.00	<input type="checkbox"/>
On-Line Entry Service Fee	\$ 3.00	<input type="checkbox"/>

TOTAL ENTRY FEES \$ _____ (Make checks payable to FUSTA USIR 2013)

Entries received between June 10th - 17th will be accepted with doubled fees. Entries received after June 17th will be accepted with fees tripled.

WAIVER AND RELEASE / PHOTOGRAPHY WAIVER

In consideration of your acceptance of this entry for participation in the 2013 USIR Weekend and in full awareness of the possible risk of injury that may arise to my child, myself, any member of my family, and/or group and as a result of such participation, I agree to release and waive any rights to claims that myself, my heirs, administrators, agents, and/or family may have against FUSTA/WEST REGION/USIR, and all staff members, organizing committee members, volunteers, agents and the Hyatt Regency Scottsdale Resort from all claims and damages arising from participation of myself and/or my child in such activities. I hereby grant FUSTA, its organizers and agents (collectively "USIR 2013") permission to take photographs, videotape, or digital recordings of me as a participant in the USIR 2013. I authorize USIR 2013 to copyright, use, or publish recordings for any commercial purpose, including publicity and advertising, with or without my consent. I waive any right to royalties or other compensation arising from or related to the use of the media recordings. Further, I hold harmless and release USIR 2013 from all claims, demands, or other causes of action arising in connection with any use of the media recordings, including their publication, processing, or alteration. I understand and agree that the media recordings will become the property of USIR 2013 and will not be returned.

Signature of Dancer _____ Please Print Name _____ Date _____
 (Parent/Guardian if dancer is under 18 years of age)

OFFICIAL CHOREOGRAPHY ENTRY FORM



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SCHOOL NAME (Please print) _____
 INSTRUCTOR NAME(S) _____
 NAME OF DANCE _____
 ADDRESS _____
 CITY, STATE/PROV _____ COUNTRY, ZIP _____
 EMAIL ADDRESS _____
 CELL NUMBER _____ EVENING NUMBER _____
 BIRTH DATE _____ AGE AS OF JULY 12, 2013 _____
 SOBHD REGISTRATION# _____

COMPETITION CATEGORY:

SOLO - \$20

DANCER NAME	SOBHD REGISTRATION #	DATE OF BIRTH
_____	_____	_____

DUET - \$25

DANCER NAME	SOBHD REGISTRATION #	DATE OF BIRTH
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

GROUP - \$30

DANCER NAME	SOBHD REGISTRATION #	DATE OF BIRTH
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_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
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Please feel free to add more lines if necessary.

TOTAL ENTRY FEES \$_____ (Please enter total entry fees on order form. Make checks payable to *FUSTA USIR 2013*.)
 Please note: ALL dancers for must be presented SOBHD Registration cards at the Hospitality Table on Thursday, July 11, 2013, before the Choreography competition number will be provided.

GENERAL RULES

1. All events will be conducted under SOBHD Rules and Regulations governing competitions and Championships.
2. The decision of the judges is final.
3. All dancers must check-in at the USIR Hospitality with their SOBHD Registration card to receive competitor number(s).
4. Dancer's age for all dancing events will be as of 12:00 AM on July 12, 2013, except the USIR.
5. Pre-premier dancers will retain the same status for Friday and Sunday events. Dancers can earn one stamp at the event.
6. Dancers will compete in reverse order of entry with the exception of the USIR and the Desert Open Classic Championship where a draw will determine the order of dance.
7. The Organizing Committee reserves the right to combine or divide age groups at their discretion.
8. Dancers must remain in full costume to receive awards.
9. Dancers reporting late for their event/dance may forfeit their right to dance.
10. Protests must be in writing, signed and presented to the Competition Chair within 24 hours for a complaint against the organizer or adjudication. Protests must be accompanied by a \$35.00 fee, which will be refunded if the protest is sustained.
11. Videotaping will be permitted in designated areas only.
12. **OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES: March 1, 2013** Entries postmarked before March 1st will be returned.
13. **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES: June 10, 2013** Entries received between June 10th and June 17th will be accepted with doubled fees. Entries received after June 17th will be accepted with fees tripled.
14. There will be no lunch breaks on Friday & Sunday. Grab & Go lunches will be available in the lobby on competition days.
15. Start times are subject to change based on the number of entries received. Dancers will be notified of any changes.

GENERAL CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

16. The 2013 SOBHD Championship steps must be danced for the USIR and the Desert Classic Championships.

RESTRICTED PREMIER RULES

17. Premier dancers who have not won an overall trophy in a Premier class within the last two years qualify for this category. An overall trophy winner is defined as the dancer with the highest total number of points, having competed in more than one individual dance in a Premier competition age group that had six or more competitors, thus the name Highest Aggregate Trophy Winner. Winning a special event, or one-dance event such as a Hornpipe or Jig, Best-Dressed or Choreography, does not count as an overall trophy win. A Championship and a Pre-Championship are considered Premier events. Champions and Pre-Championship winners do not qualify for the Restricted Premier class.

USIR CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

18. USIR finalists must be entered by their respective FUSTA regional representatives.
19. Age for the USIR Championship is as of 12:00 AM, July 15, 2013.

GENERAL CHOREOGRAPHY RULES

20. The solo choreography competitions will be limited to the first 10 entries per age group. The duets and group entries will be limited to the first 5 entries each. The committee reserves the right to change this based on the entries received.
21. Please advise the Competition Registrar if circumstances prevent your group from participating.
22. The solo and duet choreography competition is open to Premier dancers only. Group choreographies may include pre-premier dancers.
23. Rules are as per SOBHD.

24. All dancers must hold a valid SOBHD Registration card.
25. Teachers should complete one entry form per duet/group choreography. Include all the name(s) of the teacher(s) and dancers participating in the choreography.
26. Music: Must be on CD only (no tapes or iPods). Music will be collected on Thursday at the hospitality table.
27. Celtic music must be used.
28. The majority of movements used must be Highland and National.
29. Choreographies will be timed and judges will be notified if the dance is longer than the allowed time. Overage will result in disqualification.
 - Solo choreographies should be no longer than 2 minutes (including entrance and exit).
 - Duet choreographies should be no longer than 2 minutes and 30 seconds (including entrance and exit).
 - Group choreographies should be no longer than 3 minutes (including entrance and exit).

GENERAL NATIONAL CHALLENGE RULES

30. The set steps for the Premier National Challenge must be danced in the order referenced in the “Schedule of Events”.

HIGHLAND DANCING AWARDS

Medals and ribbons will be awarded to winners in the pre-premier and restricted premier classes. Championship Trophies and class trophies will be awarded in accordance with SOBHD rules.

National Challenge - Per Dance Cash Awards

Premier 7 & Under 12 Years

1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00 4th - \$7.50 5th - \$5.00 6th - \$5.00

Premier 12 & Under 14 Years

1st - \$25.00 2nd - \$20.00 3rd - \$15.00 4th - \$10.00 5th - \$7.50 6th - \$5.00

Premier 14 & Under 16 Years

1st - \$30.00 2nd - \$25.00 3rd - \$20.00 4th - \$15.00 5th - \$10.00 6th - \$5.00

Premier 16 & Under 18 Years

1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$40.00 3rd - \$30.00 4th - \$20.00 5th - \$10.00 6th - \$10.00

Premier 18 & Under 21 Years

1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$60.00 3rd - \$40.00 4th - \$30.00 5th - \$20.00 6th - \$15.00

Premier 21 Years and Over

1st - \$100.00 2nd - \$75.00 3rd - \$60.00 4th - \$40.00 5th - \$30.00 6th - \$20.00

Choreography

Cash prizes will be given for 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. 4th, 5th and 6th place dancers will be recognized with non-cash awards.

Individual 15 Years and Under

1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$35.00 3rd - \$25.00

Individual 16 Years and Over

1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$60.00 3rd - \$45.00

Duet

1st - \$200.00 2nd - \$150.00 3rd - \$100.00

Group

1st - \$200.00 2nd - \$150.00 3rd - \$100.00

Desert Classic Open Championships - Per Dance Cash Awards

Premier 7 & Under 11 Years

1st - \$20.00 2nd - \$15.00 3rd - \$10.00 4th - \$7.50 5th - \$5.00 6th - \$5.00

Premier 11 & Under 13 Years

1st - \$25.00 2nd - \$20.00 3rd - \$15.00 4th - \$10.00 5th - \$7.50 6th - \$5.00

Premier 13 & Under 16 Years

1st - \$30.00 2nd - \$25.00 3rd - \$20.00 4th - \$15.00 5th - \$10.00 6th - \$5.00

Premier 16 & Under 19 Years

1st - \$50.00 2nd - \$40.00 3rd - \$30.00 4th - \$20.00 5th - \$10.00 6th - \$10.00

Premier 19 & Under 22 Years

1st - \$75.00 2nd - \$60.00 3rd - \$40.00 4th - \$30.00 5th - \$20.00 6th - \$15.00

Premier 22 Years & Over

1st - \$100.00 2nd - \$75.00 3rd - \$60.00 4th - \$40.00 5th - \$30.00 6th - \$20.00