

GENERAL RULES - All Championships and Competitions will be conducted under the British Dance Council Rules governing the recognition of Championships. Trophies to be held for a period of Twelve Months. All Juvenile and Junior Competitors MUST hold a valid Licence as an Amateur. The role in which competitors commence the competition must be maintained throughout the event. No role changing during/mid dance. This rule applies to both members of the partnership. Any alteration to, or arrangements other than is provided for in such rules and regulations, shall be solely at the discretion of the Management of the Blackpool Dance Festival.

ENTRY - Direct entry for all Competitions must be made via online registration on our website; www.blackpooldancefestival.com. If any Competitor withdraws from any entry, immediate notification in writing should be made. Failure to do this renders them liable to disqualification from entering any future events. The Management reserve the right to limit the number of entries accepted in any of the Competitions. The decision of the Organiser is to be taken as final. It is the responsibility of the competitors to ensure they have sufficient time to compete in Solo competitions if they also enter as a couple and vice versa. There will be an Entry Fee for each championship/ competition entered per couple and solo, a General Admission ticket to the Ballroom is also required for everyone entering the ballroom each day. All competitors will defray their own travelling expenses.

There will be NO REFUNDS on Season or Daily Admission Ticket (standing room only) including the Competitor Entry Fee due to non attendance.

All Competitors must check their Confirmation to ensure names and events are correct. Should any details not be correct they must contact the Dance Festival Office immediately.

ENTRIES CLOSE – 21st MARCH 2025

AGE OF COMPETITORS: Competitors must be within the stated age group on the day of the championship/ competition. Juniors must both be under 16 years of age for the Junior Championships and Competitions with one competitor being 12-15 years, and both under 12 years of age for the Juvenile Competitions and Championships. For under 10 years both competitors must be under 10 years on the day of the competition. 12/13 years, both competitors must be under 14 years of age on the day of the competition with one competitor 12/13. The group in which a couple may dance shall be determined by the elder member of the partnership. Juvenile Competitors are not permitted to dance in Junior Competitions/ Championships. Split partnerships are not permitted. **Proof of age must be available upon request - either BIRTH CERTIFICATE OR PASSPORT**

PLEASE NOTE - Late entries will be accepted providing the timetable allows and names will not be printed within the programme – a late entry fee of £20.00 will be charged in addition to the entry fee. There will be no spare numbers, nor will anyone be allowed to dance in place of competitors who have not claimed their numbers.

JUDGING - Should any adjudicator suffer illness we reserve the right to replace at any time. The aggregate votes of the Adjudicators in the Early Rounds, and the individual placings of each Adjudicator in the Final Rounds, will be available on the Official Dance Festival website.

TIMES OF COMPETITIONS - The Competition first round times will be available via the Blackpool Dance Festival website approximately 2 weeks before the Festival. Competitors will be required to obtain their numbers from the Stewards AT LEAST 20 MINUTES BEFORE THE TIME OF THE COMPETITION.

DRESS FOR JUVENILES - All competitors must dress in accordance with British Dance Council Rules (see Appendix 4). A copy of the Rules and their clarification can be found on the British Dance Council website. Should there be any queries, please contact the Organiser.

ENTRY FEE / ADMISSION TICKETS AND RESERVED SEATS

(Including V.A.T. at 20%)

Entry Fee;

Competition - £8.00 per competition per couple

Championship - £15.00 per championship per couple

Presale Admission Ticket Prices (up to 12th April 2025)

General Admission each day (Adult & Child) £31.00

A Five Day Admission Ticket is available Monday 21st - Friday 25th £140.00

A Two Day Admission Ticket is available Saturday 26th & Sunday 27th £55.00

Reserved Seats all days (Ground Floor & 1st Balcony) at an additional charge per day £10.00

All bookings are subject to a £2.50 Administration charge and £3.00 Restoration Levy per ticket application form.

Please note: All seating is reserved and comes into effect at the start of the first competition each day.

The Winter Gardens does not allow patrons to bring their own food onto the premises.

These prices are subject to any variation of V.A.T.

No plan will be issued. Applications may be forwarded at any time but must reach Festival Bookings Office by 24th February 2025 Applications must be accompanied by a remittance covering the full amount and made payable to "Winter Gardens", and addressed to the FESTIVAL BOOKINGS OFFICE, WINTER GARDENS, CHURCH STREET, BLACKPOOL FY1 1HW.

Anyone competing or spectating (any event) do so at their own risk. The venue will not accept responsibility for any existing health issues/ allergies, injury or situation.

By attending this event, whether as a participant or otherwise (e.g. as a spectator), you acknowledge that images may be captured during the event using film photography, digital photography, video or other medium and may be used by the Festival Organisers for the purpose of live streaming and to promote the organisation and its work, or other future events by us via our websites, social media websites, promotional leaflets and brochures and other publicity material (such as internal and external newsletters). The images may also be provided to the media for publication in international or national newspapers or magazines.

We acknowledge our responsibilities in capturing images by photography or other means in particular with reference to:

- The Protection of Children Act 1978;
- An individual's right to privacy under The Human Rights Act 1998; and
- The Data Protection Act 1998
- General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

The Organiser shall take no responsibility for the capture and use of any images taken at the event by any third party not directly engaged by us to do so on our behalf and accepts no liability for the actions of such third parties.



Sixty- Seventh Annual

BLACKPOOL

DANCE FESTIVAL FOR JUNIORS

OPEN TO THE WORLD

Ballroom, Sequence and Latin

Monday 21st – Sunday 27th April 2025

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MONDAY, 21st APRIL 2025

A NORTH OF ENGLAND JUNIOR BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP (Open to couples born or resident for 12 months in the North of England) (Recognised by the British Dance Council) 12 - under 16 years of age.
Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango and Quickstep.

A1 JUVENILE JIVE COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.

A2 JUNIOR ALL GIRL “COUNTESS WALTZ/ TARANTELLA TANGO” COMPETITION
12 - under 16 years of age.

A3 JUVENILE ALL GIRL "FYLDE WALTZ/ WASHINGTON TWO STEP" COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.

A4 JUNIOR BOY/GIRL "SAUNTER SANTARNA/ KENSINGTON TWO STEP COMPETITION
12 - under 16 years of age.

A5 JUNIOR VIENNESE WALTZ COMPETITION
12 - under 16 years of age.

A6 JUVENILE BOY/GIRL "GAINSBOROUGH GLIDE/ TAYSIDE TANGO" COMPETITION 6 -
under 12 years of age.

A7 12/13 YEARS FOXTROT/TANGO COMPETITION
12 -13 years of age.

A8 JUNIOR AMERICAN SMOOTH COMPEITON
12 – under 16 years of age
Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot and Viennese Waltz

BLACKPOOL JUNIOR INVITATION TEAM MATCH CLASSICAL SEQUENCE

Countess Waltz, Saunter Reve, Tango Solair, and Rialto Two Step

TUESDAY, 22nd APRIL 2025

B JUNIOR SAMBA COMPETITION
12 - under 16 years of age.

B1 JUVENILE "LILAC WALTZ / BOSTON TWO STEP" COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.

B2 JUNIOR "WINDSOR GLIDE/ RIALTO TWO STEP" COMPETITION
12 - under 16 years of age.

B3 BRITISH JUVENILE BALLROOM CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) under 12 years of age.
Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango and Quickstep.

B4 12/13 YEARS CHA-CHA-CHA/RUMBA COMPETITION
12 - 13 years of age.

BLACKPOOL JUNIOR INVITATION TEAM MATCH
Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango, Quickstep, Viennese Waltz
Cha cha cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble and Jive

WEDNESDAY, 23rd APRIL 2025

C BRITISH JUNIOR BALLROOM DANCING CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) 12 - under 16 years of age.
Waltz, Foxtrot, Tango and Quickstep.

C1 JUVENILE CHA-CHA-CHA COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.

C2 BRITISH JUNIOR MODERN SEQUENCE CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) 12 - under 16 years of age.
Engagement Waltz, Arcadia Foxtrot, Tango Tarquilla and New York Quickstep

C3 JUVENILE “MIDNIGHT TANGO / BOSTON TWO STEP” COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.

C4 BRITISH JUVENILE LATIN SEQUENCE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) under 12 years of age.
Bellissimo Cha Cha Cha, Sizzlers Samba, Paso La Paz, Midnight Jive

C5 UNDER 10 YEARS JIVE COMPETITION
under 10 years of age.

C6 JUVENILE AMERICAN SMOOTH COMPETITION
under 12 years of age
Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot and Viennese Waltz

BLACKPOOL JUVENILE INVITATION TEAM MATCH CLASSICAL SEQUENCE

Veleta, Midnight Tango, and Waverley Two Step

THURSDAY, 24th APRIL 2024

D BRITISH JUNIOR LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) 12 - under 16 years of age.
Cha-Cha-Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble and Jive
In the Semi-Final and Final Rounds of this Championship Competitors will be required to dance JIVE in addition to the other FOUR Dances.

D1 JUVENILE VIENNESE WALTZ COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.

D2 JUNIOR "WEDGEWOOD BLUE GAVOTTE/ TANGO SOLAIR” COMPETITION
12 - under 16 years of age.

D3 BRITISH JUVENILE CLASSICAL SEQUENCE CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) under 12 years of age.
Fylde Waltz, Gainsborough Glide, Tayside Tango and Washington Two Step.

D4 BRITISH JUNIOR LATIN SEQUENCE DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) 12 – under 16 years of age
Riva Cha Cha Cha, Springwell Samba, Rumba Amadores and Jovic Jive.

D5 UNDER 10 YEARS QUICKSTEP COMPETITION
under 10 years of age.

D6 JUNIOR ALL GIRL BALLROOM COUPLE COMPETITION
12 – under 16 years of age
Waltz, Tango and Quickstep

D7 JUVENILE ALL GIRL LATIN COUPLE COMPETITION
under 12 years of age
Cha Cha Cha, Samba and Jive

BLACKPOOL JUVENILE INVITATION TEAM MATCH
Waltz, Tango and Quickstep,
Cha cha cha, Samba and Jive

FRIDAY, 25th APRIL 2025

E BRITISH JUNIOR CLASSICAL SEQUENCE CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) 12 - under 16 years of age.
Waltz, Stardust Saunter, Tango Solair and Kensington Two Step

E1 BRITISH JUVENILE LATIN CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) under 12 years of age.
Cha-Cha-Cha, Samba, Rumba and Jive

E2 JUNIOR JIVE COMPETITION
12 - under 16 years of age.

E3 JUVENILE "LILAC WALTZ / ROYAL EMPRESS TANGO" COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.

E4 12/13 YEARS “STARDUST SAUNTER / RIALTO TWO STEP” COMPETITION
12 -13 years of age.

E5 JUVENILE MODERN SEQUENCE COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.
Woodside Waltz and Quando Quickstep

E6 UNDER 10 YEARS “VELETA/BOSTON TWO STEP” COMPETITION
Under 10 years of age.

E7 JUNIOR ALL GIRL LATIN COUPLE COMPETITION
12 – under 16 years of age
Cha cha cha, Samba and Rumba

E8 JUVENILE ALL GIRL BALLROOM COUPLE COMPETITION
under 12 years of age.
Waltz, Tango and Quickstep

E9 JUVENILE / E9A JUNIOR OPEN CLASSICAL SEQUENCE FORMATION COMPETITION FOR TEAMS OF FOUR TO EIGHT COUPLES Under 16 years
Cash Prizes to the Teachers and **Medals** to the Teams’ Members.

There will be a Rehearsal from 11.00 am but this time is subject to alteration.

SATURDAY, 26th APRIL 2025

F JUVENILE BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) FOR TEAMS OF SIX TO EIGHT COUPLES Under 12 years
Cash Prizes to the Teachers and **Medals** to the Teams’ Members

F1 JUNIOR BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) FOR TEAMS OF FOUR COUPLES Under 16 years
Cash Prizes to the Teachers and **Medals** to the Teams’ Members

F2 UNDER 10 YEARS BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING COMPETITION FOR TEAMS OF SIX TO EIGHT COUPLES
Cash Prizes to the Teachers and **medals** to the Teams’ members.

F3 UNDER 14 YEARS BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING COMPETITION FOR TEAMS OF FOUR COUPLES 12 – UNDER 14 years of age
Cash prizes to the Teaches and **medals** to the Teams’ members

SUNDAY, 27th APRIL 2025

G JUVENILE BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) FOR TEAMS OF FOUR COUPLES Under 12 years
Cash Prizes to the Teachers and **Medals** to the Teams’ Members

G1 JUNIOR BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING CHAMPIONSHIP
(Recognised by the British Dance Council) FOR TEAMS OF SIX TO EIGHT COUPLES Under 16 years
Cash Prizes to the Teachers and **Medals** to the Teams’ Members

G2 UNDER 10 YEARS BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING COMPETITION FOR TEAMS OF FOUR COUPLES
Cash Prizes to the Teachers and **medals** to the Teams’ members

G3 UNDER 14 YEARS BALLROOM/LATIN FORMATION DANCING COMPETITION FOR TEAMS OF SIX TO EIGHT COUPLES 12 – under 14 years of age
Cash prizes to the Teachers and **medals** to the Teams’ members

PRIZES

Trophies or medals will be presented to all the finalists in every event.