

5 Years!
NEW in 2023!
DOUBLE WORLD PRO/AM DANCESPORT SERIES POINTS



DANCESPORT

MAY 20 2023

Presented by DONNA EDELSTEIN and BILL SPARKS

DANCE CAMP
MAY 21 2023

2023 Registration Package

GOWILDMPLSDANCESPORT.COM



Early Pay DISCOUNT DEADLINE
APRIL 27, 2023
COMPETITION ENTRY DEADLINE:
MAY 9, 2023



DEAR DANCERS,

We can't wait to host you for an action-packed day and evening of competition and partying!
It's an efficient way to compete with scholarships for students, excellent teacher incentives,
plus double World Pro/Am Dancesport Series points for our **5-year anniversary!**

Registration opens at 7:00 PM on Friday, May 20. Make your life easy and spend the night at the hotel.
Enjoy our great rates of \$119 per night (+tax) at the Mpls/St Paul Hilton Airport/Mall of America.

On Saturday, May 20, compete in freestyles, in all four styles,
2-dance, 3-dance, 4-dance and 5-dance challenges, plus scholarships!

Qualify for Best of the Best at Ohio Star Ball in Bronze, and Silver!

NEW this year, our Solo Scholarship Challenge is also a Best of the Best qualifier.
The top three scorers dance in the evening – with judge's open markings!

Go Wild loves Formation Teams – so plan to show off your team with us.

If you are a youth dancer, we've got special Fordney Youth events just for you,
plus Solo Stars competition.

Our registration fee includes tickets to all events, lunch, and the competitor's after party,
plus discounts to our Dance Camp.

NEW! Our evening session has a theme! The **Ties & Tiaras Gala**.

NEW! On Sunday we have a **Dance Camp** with

- *Lee & Linda Wakefield* at 10:00 AM
- *Sam Sodano & Bree Watson* at 11:00 AM
- *Dan Messenger* 12:00 PM
- *Irek Mleczko* at 1:00 PM

We look forward to hosting you at Go Wild and promise first class hospitality,
top flight competition, and a warm atmosphere where you can dance your best!

Go Wild with Bill and Donna!
We can't wait to see you!



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2023 DEADLINES + PAYMENT + HOTEL

DEADLINES

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EARLY PAY DISCOUNTS

REGISTER & PAY IN FULL BY
APRIL 27, 2023

PAYMENT

PAYING BY CASHIER'S CHECK?

Mail to:
Go Wild Minneapolis DanceSport
5921 Emerson Ave South
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VISIT OUR WEBSITE for more information

www.GOWILDMPLSDANCESPORT.com

SUBSCRIBE!

www.GOWILDMPLSDANCESPORT.com

GET THE MOST CURRENT INFORMATION AND
UPDATES DIRECT TO YOUR EMAIL INBOX.

HOTEL

HILTON HOTEL

MINNEAPOLIS/ST. PAUL AIRPORT MALL OF AMERICA

3800 American Boulevard E
Bloomington, MN

Find a link to our special reservation page at

www.GOWILDMPLSDANCESPORT.com



Hilton

Minneapolis/St. Paul
Airport Mall of America

HOTEL RESERVATIONS

952 - 854 - 2100

1 800 - HILTONS

Go Wild Minneapolis Room Rates

STANDARD ROOM

\$119. per night (+ tax)

Rooms with these special rates are limited,
book before our cut-off date of

April 27, 2023.

After 4/27/2023 the hotel will no longer
hold these special rates.



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2023 OFFICIALS + VENDORS

OFFICIALS

CHAIRPERSON

LEE WAKEFIELD
UTAH

JUDGES

MICHELLE HUDSON
MINNESOTA

IREK MLECZKO
ARIZONA

BREE WATSON
ARIZONA

LINDA WAKEFIELD
UTAH

SAM SODANO
FLORIDA

SCRUTINEER & REGISTRAR

SALLY LEE
MINNESOTA

EMCEE

DAN MESSENGER
ARIZONA

MUSIC DIRECTOR

SHANE MEUWISSEN
MINNESOTA

DECK CAPTAIN

RICCI-LEE HOTZ

VENDORS

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262-429-1044
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COMPETITION DAY: MAY 20
DANCE CAMP: MAY 21

TENTATIVE - UPDATED FEBRUARY, 2023

2023 SCHEDULE

SATURDAY DAYTIME MAY 20

8:30 AM

INTERNATIONAL LATIN
Single Dances

INTERNATIONAL LATIN
Multi-Dance Challenges

INTERNATIONAL LATIN
Scholarships
& Best of the Best Dance-offs

AMERICAN RHYTHM
Single Dances

AMERICAN RHYTHM
Multi-Dance Challenges

AMERICAN RHYTHM
Scholarships
& Best of the Best Dance-offs

SOLO EXHIBITIONS

The top 3 Solo Scholarship winners will be invited to perform in the Solo Grand Challenge Scholarship.

INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM
Single Dances

INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM
Multi-Dance Challenges

INTERNATIONAL BALLROOM
Scholarships
& Best of the Best Dance-offs

AMERICAN SMOOTH
Single Dances

AMERICAN SMOOTH
Multi-Dance Challenges

AMERICAN SMOOTH
Scholarships
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END OF SESSION

DINNER
À la Carte

Ties & Tiaras Gala SATURDAY EVENING MAY 20

7:00 PM

General Dancing

SOLO GRAND
CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP
& Best of the Best Dance-off

General Dancing

NIGHTCLUB
Single Dances

NIGHTCLUB
Multi-Dances

General Dancing

NIGHTCLUB
Scholarship

General Dancing

Ties & Tiaras
TWIST CHALLENGE!

Pro Show Spectacular!

TOP AWARDS

General Dancing
until 10:30 pm

STUDENT APPRECIATION PARTY
*Immediately following the Evening session
for all adult competitors*

SUNDAY DANCE CAMP MAY 21

10:00 AM

CREATING EFFORTLESS
TRICKS & LIFTS
Lee & Linda Wakefeld
2 x U.S. Professional Theatre Arts Champions

11:00 AM

THE MISSING LINK
IN AMERICAN RHYTHM
Sam Sodano & Bree Watson
*Sam: North American Professional Latin Champion
Bree: 3X U.S. Professional Rhythm Champion*

12:00 PM

AMERICAN SMOOTH
THE WINNING FORMULA
Dan Messenger
6x U.S. Professional Smooth Finalist

1:00 PM

USING YOUR LEGS TO CREATE
BALANCE, SPEED & LINES
Irek Mleczo
International Master Classes 10-Dances



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2023 ENTRY FEES

GO WILD EXPERIENCE

ADULT COMPETITORS

\$85 THE GO WILD EXPERIENCE
EARLY PAY
With EARLY PAY discount pricing - a \$5 discount on each entry!
ENTER AND PAY IN FULL BY APRIL 27, 2023
 Includes: Saturday Daytime admission ticket, Lunch, Ties & Tiaras Gala, and Student Appreciation Party, and discounted dance camp pricing.
**Dinner is additional*

\$90 The Go Wild Experience
STANDARD PAY
With STANDARD PAY.
ENTER AND PAY BY MAY 9, 2023
 Includes: Saturday Daytime admission ticket, Lunch, Evening admission ticket, Ties & Tiaras Gala, and Student Appreciation Party, and discounted dance camp pricing.
**Dinner is additional*

	Early Pay	STANDARD PAY
GO WILD EXPERIENCE*	\$85	\$90
FREESTYLES	\$40	\$45
FORMATION TEAM PER COUPLE	\$45	\$50
2-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$75	\$85
3-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$105	\$110
4-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$140	\$145
5-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$175	\$180
CLOSED SCHOLARSHIPS		
BEST OF THE BEST		
Students must dance 5 freestyles to qualify to dance in each Scholarship	\$105	\$110
SOLO GRAND CHALLENGE SCHOLARSHIP		
Maximum of 2 solos per student.	\$100	\$105
OPTIONAL TIES & TIARAS GALA DINNER	\$65	\$70

GO WILD FUTURE STARS

PRE-TEEN/JUNIOR/YOUTH/COLLEGIATE

\$40 GO WILD FUTURE STARS
EARLY PAY
With EARLY PAY discount pricing - a \$5 discount on every single entry!
ENTER AND PAY BY APRIL 27, 2023
 Includes: Saturday Daytime admission ticket and Sunday latin workshop with Irek Mleccko.

\$45 GO WILD FUTURE STARS
STANDARD PAY
With STANDARD PAY.
ENTER AND PAY BY MAY 9, 2023
 Includes: Saturday Daytime admission ticket and Sunday latin workshop with Irek Mleccko.

	Early Pay	STANDARD PAY
GO WILD FUTURE STARS*	\$40	\$45
FREESTYLES	\$15	\$20
2-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$25	\$30
3-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$35	\$40
4-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$50	\$55
5-DANCE MULTI-DANCE	\$65	\$70
FORDNEY SPOTLIGHT SOLO		
Maximum of 2 solos per student. <i>Top 3 scoring Fordney solos will be invited to dance during the evening session. Video will be posted on the Fordney website.</i>	\$50	\$55



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In 2023...

Double points for the World Pro/Am Dancesport series!

2023 RULES + REGULATIONS

SYLLABUS RESTRICTIONS

- Material danced should be based on the NDCA or equivalent syllabus. Lifts are allowed only in a solo exhibition.
- The NDCA approved step list will be invigilated.
- NDCA dress codes will be strictly enforced.

NDCA Web address: www.ndca.org/rules-and-results

DANCING CONSECUTIVE LEVELS + AGE DIVISIONS

- Students can dance Newcomer for one year only, regardless of style.
- Teachers can only have one entry per dance/level and age category.
- Students MAY dance up to 6 consecutive levels in each style. For example, 6 levels would be Beginner Silver, Pre Silver, Intermediate Silver, Intermediate Open Silver, Full Silver, and Open Silver.
- Adult students MAY dance their actual age group, plus one age group younger.
- Organizers have the right to merge or cancel heats in any event with fewer than three entries.
- Students MAY NOT enter both the Bronze and Open Multi-Dance Events and Scholarships in the same style.

NDCA REGISTRATION

- All Pro/Am teachers, students, and amateur couples are required to have a 2023 Registration Number with the National Dance Council of America.

Register online: www.ndca.org/registration/

FORDNEY FOUNDATION

For age guidelines, events, point/ranking system, awards, prize money and registration information visit: www.fordneyfoundation.org/youth-dancesport-series/

TOP STUDIO QUALIFICATIONS

- Based on a combination of packages, entries and placement points.
- The top 3 studios will receive a trophy.

TOP STUDENT

- Awards will be presented to the Top male and Top female Newcomer, Bronze, Silver, Gold, and Open students based on number of entries and placements.
- A trophy will also be presented to the Top Amateur couple based on number of entries.

TOP MALE + FEMALE TEACHERS

- Will be determined by a combination of entries and placements as described on the World ProAm Dancesport Series website.
- In addition to the Teacher's Pot of Gold prize money, the top male and female teachers will receive trophies.
- Multi-dance and scholarship entries count as one entry toward the Teacher's Pot of Gold award money, and Top Teacher awards. Top teacher placements will be announced based on the World ProAm Circuit point system.
- Pre-teen, Junior, and Youth Pro/Am entries will count as 1/2 of a point.

SOLO GRAND CHALLENGE

- Solo exhibitions can last a maximum of 3 minutes. Music must be individually labeled with student's name and heat number. All music must in MP3 format and brought to the music director on a non-protected flash drive.
- A student may only represent one dance during the evening dance-off.

PAYMENT POLICY

PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRIES.

EARLY PAY PRICING is available for entries received with

PAYMENT IN FULL BY APRIL 27, 2023

Standard rates apply after APRIL 27.

- Balances paid after the deadline must be paid with cash or cashiers check.
- Any prize money (scholarships, Pot of Gold), cannot be used to deduct balances due.
- In the event of lack of entries, the organizer has the right to combine, cancel or reduce the prize money for any scholarship.
- **The deadline for cancellation with credit for 2024 is May 9, 2023. A letter requesting a credit must follow cancellations. Package fees and admission tickets do not qualify for credit.**

VENDORS

Vendor space is available.

Contact **BILL SPARKS AT 614-204-0196** to vend at Go Wild Minneapolis DanceSport.



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2023 EVENTS + PRIZES

FREESTYLES + SOLO STARS

AMERICAN STYLE

Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz, Peabody,
ChaCha, Rumba, Bolero, Mambo, East Coast Swing
Nightclub

Merengue, Salsa, West Coast Swing, Night club 2-step,
Hustle, Argentine Tango, Bachata, Country 2-Step

INTERNATIONAL STYLE

Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, Foxtrot, Quickstep,
ChaCha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive

LEVELS

BRONZE	SILVER	GOLD
NEWCOMER*	BEGINNING	PRE
BEGINNING	PRE	INTERMEDIATE
PRE	INTERMEDIATE	FULL
INTERMEDIATE	FULL	OPEN I
FULL	OPEN	OPEN II
OPEN		

* Students can dance Newcomer for one year only,
regardless of style.

AGE CATEGORIES

PRE-TEEN 1 : up to age 9

PRE-TEEN 2 : 10 - 11

JUNIOR 1 : 12 - 13

JUNIOR 2 : 14 - 15

YOUTH : 16-18

A1	19 - 35
A2	36 - 50
B1	51 - 60
B2	61 - 70
C1	71+
C2	81+

Adult students may enter their actual age level
and one level younger.

Students may dance up to 6 consecutive levels
in each style and age level.

MULTI-DANCE EVENTS

AMERICAN STYLE

2-DANCE W+T / F+VW / C+R / SW+B

CLOSED NEWCOMER

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

3-DANCE W+T+F / C+R+SW / HUS+SAL+WCS

4-DANCE W+T+F+VW / C+R+SW+M

5-DANCE C+R+SW+B+M

CLOSED NEWCOMER

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

CLOSED GOLD

OPEN

NIGHTCLUB

INTERNATIONAL STYLE

2-DANCE W+T / F+Q / C+R / S+J

CLOSED NEWCOMER

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

3-DANCE W+T+Q / C+R+J

4-DANCE W+T+F+Q / C+S+R+J

5-DANCE W+T+VW+F+Q / C+S+R+P+J

CLOSED NEWCOMER

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

CLOSED GOLD

OPEN

JR AGE 18 + under

A AGE 19-35

B AGE 36-50

C AGE 51-61

SR I AGE 62-74

SR II AGE 75+

FORDNEY FOUNDATION EVENTS

CLOSED 4-DANCE **OPEN 5-DANCE**

Pre-Teen 1 Junior 1

Pre-Teen 2 Junior 2

YOUTH

For age guidelines, events, point/ranking system, awards,
prize money and registration information visit:

www.fordneyfoundation.org/youth-dancesport-series/

BEST OF THE BEST

AMERICAN STYLE

BEST OF THE BEST

3-DANCE W+T+F / C+R+SW

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

INTERNATIONAL STYLE

BEST OF THE BEST

3-DANCE W+T+Q / C+R+J

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

BEST OF THE BEST

SOLO GRAND CHALLENGE

SCHOLARSHIP

Open to all levels and ages

SCHOLARSHIPS

AMERICAN STYLE

3-DANCE W+T+F / C+R+SW

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

4-DANCE SMOOTH W+T+F+VW

5-DANCE RHYTHM C+R+SW+B+M

OPEN

INTERNATIONAL STYLE

3-DANCE W+T+Q / C+R+J

CLOSED BRONZE

CLOSED SILVER

5-DANCE INTL BALLROOM W+T+VW+F+Q

5-DANCE RHYTHM C+S+R+P+J

OPEN

A AGE 19-45

B AGE 46-64

C AGE 65+

PRIZES

PRO/AM SCHOLARSHIPS

1ST \$150

2ND \$100

3RD \$75



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