

We hope you all have been keeping safe and healthy during this stressful time.

We would like to thank you for your continued support over the last three months with all the virtual events.

As we hear news of guidelines relaxing, our thoughts now turn to the future and we all are eager to start and celebrate dance.

While we look forward to re-opening our live events, we as the ADE community also need to keep in mind the continued safety of our dancers and their families.

Our ADE family is working to re-structure our event schedules and class setups to ensure safety is the main priority for our dance families attending.

Here below are the new protocols that our team is working on to provide both a stress-free and safe environment:

- -Any attendee that has flu-like symptoms, we ask that you please not attend the event.
- -We encourage all attendees to practice frequent and proper handwashing as well as carrying their own hand sanitizers

and disinfectants as they see fit. The CDC recommends this as one of the best practices to avoid transmission of the virus.

-Temperatures will be scanned via non-contact scanners at random at the beginning of each day.

## **REGISTRATION:**

-Re-structure of our class schedules and assigning registration times and groups to avoid large crowds at the registration desk on check-in day.

Email notifications will be sent out a week before the event to each studio and independent participants.

# **DURING CLASSES:**

-We will keep practicing social distance measures by lowering the class sizes in each age category and breaking down classes further into groups and rotations. Ballrooms will be marked with spacing and positions will be rotated throughout the class. More detailed information will be provided in the final welcome email

Not only is this safer but it will be extremely beneficial for the dancers as they will be getting more individualized attention with our faculty!

- -All guests/observers/dancers must wear a face mask when checking in and required in common areas. Observers must wear a face mask at all times if watching classes and during competitions. SPACE IS LIMITED for Observers in the classrooms.
- -There will be no water stations in the ballrooms. We ask that attendees please bring disposable water bottles to class.
- -Dancers do need to wear a mask during classes and maintain distances via markers on the ballroom floors.

## -COMPETITION:

- -Dressing room spaces will be assigned and expanded to as many locations as possible to help comply with social distancing.
- -Competition spectators: Seating will be spaced out with limited capacity. Separate and clearly marked points of entry and exit will be provided.
- -All awards and scholarships will be awarded without physical contact. We will not have the dancers on stage during competition awards. Only one representative for each studio will be called on stage to receive each award. Studios will receive all physical awards at the end of the event.
- -For the safety of our staff and faculty, please avoid any physical contact during pictures and awards.

We have communicated with our venue partners to ensure they are also taking the following precautions:

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Providing safe and clean environments for our guests and colleagues is always a top priority for Hyatt hotels globally – even more so today. We remain committed to upholding the highest standards of cleanliness and want you to feel at ease when you visit Hyatt hotels, knowing you'll experience the quality you expect from the Hyatt brand.

The below precautionary and response measures are helping us continue to provide a safe and clean environment:

Comprehensive COVID-19 guidance is in place at Hyatt hotels globally, detailing how to protect against transmission of the virus (including implementing hand sanitizer stations and frequent cleaning of high-touch areas), and procedures in case there is a suspected or confirmed case among our guests or colleagues.

Cross-functional, global response teams, including infectious diseases and occupational health experts, provide guidance to our hotels, and help address specific needs and situations when needed.