

**GLOUCESTER
DANCE
FESTIVAL**

Syllabus 2024

Solo £7.00 Duet £12.00 Trio/Quartet £15.00 Group Dance £20.00

Age as on 31st August 2024

Open Solos 5-18 years / Novice Solos 7-14 / Duet & Trio/Quartet 5-18 / Group dances 5-19 years
Before entering, please consult with your Principal and/or dance teacher regarding your dance(s)

Registered parent/carer: The registered parent/carer is defined as the responsible adult who completes and signs the entry form having read and agreeing to abide by our Syllabus, Conditions of Entry, Children Safeguarding Policy and Changing Room Rules. Corresponds with GDF on all related festival matters and attends the festival as the carer for the named competitor

All personal communication is by email. Public communication is via the GDF Facebook to ensure everyone receives notifications at the same time. It will be the responsibility of the parent/carer to relay information to family and friends should they wish to attend and support their child as GDF cannot be held responsible if you choose not to engage with us and miss or do not pass on important information.

If on the day the registered parent/carer is unable to attend, GDF must be informed as to who will be the responsible adult for their child. No competitor can be 'dropped off'.

NOVICE

Novice solo sections are available for dancers aged 7-14 years.

- A Novice is a dancer who has **NEVER** been placed 1st, 2nd, or 3rd at any comparable festival before 31st August 2024 for any classical and/or cabaret solo dance.
- A maximum of two different genres of classical and/or two cabaret dances may be entered per competitor ie: one ballet and one character and/or one modern and one lyrical solo.
- Sections are competed as classical and cabaret, these may be split by genre and age within Junior and Intermediate age groups if entries are high or merged by genre if entries are small.

Novice 7-10 years	Maximum time limit	Novice 11-14 years	Maximum time limit
Classical Ballet	1 minute 30 seconds	Classical Ballet	2 minutes
Classical Character	1 minute 30 seconds	Classical Character	2 minutes
Classical National (Global)	1 minute 30 seconds	Classical National (Global)	2 minutes
Cabaret Modern	1 minute 30 seconds	Cabaret Modern	2 minutes
Cabaret Lyrical	1 minute 30 seconds	Cabaret Lyrical	2 minutes
Cabaret Tap	1 minute 30 seconds	Cabaret Tap	2 minutes
Cabaret Musical Theatre	2 minutes	Cabaret Musical Theatre	2 minutes 30 seconds

JUNIOR OPEN SOLOS AGED 5-10 years

5 & 6 years / 7 & 8 years / 9 & 10 years

Solos may be split to a single year of age. Further splits may be made by date of birth if numbers are high, or competed as a Junior section if numbers are low.

Solos 5 - 10 years	Maximum time limit	
Classical Ballet	1 minute 30 seconds	
Character	1 minute 30 seconds	<i>Competitor announces title on stage centre front</i>
National (Global)	1 minute 30 seconds	<i>Country or region to be included on entry form</i>
		<i>Competitor announces country and/or title on stage centre front</i>
Modern	1 minute 30 seconds	<i>No acro, a fluid gymnastic movement is acceptable</i>
Lyrical	1 minute 30 seconds	<i>No acro</i>
Tap	1 minute 30 seconds	
Musical Theatre	2 minutes	
Contemporary	1 minute 30 seconds	
Choreography own solo	1 minute 30 seconds	<i>Competitor announces title on stage centre front</i>

INTERMEDIATE

Solos to be competed as 11 & 12 years and 13 & 14 years. Alternatively, if numbers are low combined as one single section ie: Intermediate Choreography Own Solo.

If numbers are high sections may be split to a single year of age especially in ballet, modern and lyrical. Further splits may be made by date of birth as September-February and March-August (*months may vary if numbers are significantly imbalanced*).

Solo 11 - 14 years	Maximum time limit	
Ballet	2 minutes	
Character	2 minutes	<i>Competitor announces title on stage centre front</i>
National (Global)	2 minutes	<i>Country or Region to be included on entry form</i> <i>Competitor announces country and/or title on stage centre front</i>
Modern	2 minutes	No acro, a fluid gymnastic movement is acceptable
Lyrical	2 minutes	No acro
Tap	2 minutes	
Musical Theatre	2 minutes 30 seconds	
Contemporary	2 minutes	
Choreography own solo	2 minutes	<i>Competitor announces title on stage centre front</i>
Improvisation		music supplied by the adjudicator

SENIOR

If numbers are high sections may be split to a single year of age especially in ballet, modern and lyrical. Further splits may be made by date of birth as September-February and March-August (*months may vary if numbers are significantly imbalanced*).

Alternatively, combined as one single section ie: Senior National or Senior Choreography Own Solo if numbers are low.

Solo 15 - 18 years	Maximum time limit	
Ballet	2 minutes	
Character	2 minutes	<i>Competitor announces title on stage centre front</i>
National (Global)	2 minutes	<i>Country or Region to be included on entry form</i> <i>Competitor announces country and/or title on stage centre front</i>
Modern	2 minutes	No acro, a fluid gymnastic movement is acceptable
Lyrical	2 minutes	No acro
Tap	2 minutes	
Musical Theatre	2 minutes 30 seconds	
Contemporary	2 minutes	
Choreography own solo	2 minutes	<i>Competitor announces title on stage centre front</i>
Improvisation		music supplied by the adjudicator

BOYS SOLO CLASS aged 7-18 years

To enter this class the competitor must have performed in the Open, or Novice section.

They may choose their favourite dance. This section will be competed as one for all ages.

Maximum time limit		Maximum time limit	
7-10 years	1 minute 30 seconds	11-18 years	2 minutes
Musical Theatre	2 minutes	Musical Theatre	2 minutes 30 seconds

DUET / TRIO & QUARTET

Minimum age of 5 years

Maximum two classical and/or cabaret entries per name per age of Junior, Intermediate or Senior

Eldest dancer (if different year) to enter and pay in full as eldest dancer determines correct section.

A dance partner not entering solos is required to complete the GDF Registration Form for ‘Dance Partners’ to generate their ID number to compete and ensure we have the correct information for GCC to comply with our BOPA Licence.

Please note: sections may be split or combined depending on the number of entries received.

Duet – Junior	5 - 8 years	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes
Duet – Junior	9 & 10 years	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes
Duet – Intermediate	11 & 12 years	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Classical	Contemporary	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes
Duet – Intermediate	13 & 14 years	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Classical	Contemporary / Modern Ballet	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes
Duet – Senior	15-18 years	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Classical	Contemporary	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes
Trio/Quartet – Junior	10 years & under	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes
Trio/Quartet - Inter	14 years & under	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Classical	Contemporary	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes
Trio/Quartet - Senior	18 years & under	Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet / Character / National (Global)	2 minutes 30 seconds
Classical	Contemporary	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Modern / Lyrical / Tap	2 minutes 30 seconds
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	3 minutes

GROUP DANCES

Group dances will perform as programmed. In the event of a group dance being withdrawn the organiser will decide on the running order as any changes may affect decisions already made for which others may not be aware of.

Minimum Age: 5 years

Maximum Age: 19 years

Minimum number of dancers per group: 6 dancers per group

Maximum number of dancers per group: 24 dancers per group.

Maximum of 6 group dances per Junior, Intermediate and Senior which may consist of the following

*Maximum of 4 classical group dances within the total of six groups entries per age

*Maximum of 5 cabaret group dances within the total of six group entries per age

*Maximum of 2 group dances per genre as in 2 Ballet / 2 Character / 2 Modern / 2 Lyrical / 2 Tap etc.

Maximum play-off time 30 seconds

Classical Group Dances may be combined depending on number of entries received.

Cabaret Group Dances may be combined depending on number of entries received.

- Entering group dances requires two adults with DBS, or two Licenced Chaperones to assist with lining up at stage left door plus one to operate electronic stage curtain from rear of hall.
- All dancers in groups must have their details listed on the Group Dance Names Entry Form.
- All group dancers enter & exit via stage left door.
- Props enter & exit via stage door left. Props must not unduly delay the timing of the schedule.
- No water or glitter to be used.
- The last group in each section to re-open curtains for adjudication.
- For groups placed the appropriate medals may be purchased @ £2.00 each.
Please nominate one person to collect monies prior to approaching the GDF reception desk.

Junior Group Dances

		Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet	4 minutes
Classical	Character / National (Global)	4 minutes
Cabaret	Modern	4 minutes
Cabaret	Lyrical	4 minutes
Cabaret	Tap	4 minutes
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	4 minutes 30 seconds

Inter Group Dances

		Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet	4 minutes
Classical	Character / National (Global)	4 minutes
Classical	Contemporary	4 minutes
Cabaret	Modern	4 minutes
Cabaret	Lyrical	4 minutes
Cabaret	Tap	4 minutes
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	4 minutes 30 seconds

Senior Group Dances

		Maximum time limit
Classical	Ballet	4 minutes
Classical	Character / National (Global)	4 minutes
Classical	Contemporary	4 minutes
Cabaret	Modern	4 minutes
Cabaret	Lyrical	4 minutes
Cabaret	Tap	4 minutes
Cabaret	Musical Theatre	4 minutes 30 seconds