10^{TH-}11TH MAY 2025 WINTER GARDENS WESTON-SUPER-MARE



Competition Date: Saturday 10th - Sunday 11th May 2025

This weekender consists of Street and Slow knockout solos, Street and Contemporary Set solos, Street and Slow knockout duos, Street and Slow knockout trios/quads, Burn the Floor School Challenge, Parents teams challenge, Parent & Child slow & street duo, Classical, Theatrical and Street teams, Ultimate Team Champions and includes a Saturday night ball!

Venue: Winter Gardens, Royal Parade, Weston-Super-Mare, BS23 1AJ

Registration deadline: 10th February 2025 (please be aware that tickets may be sold out before the deadline date)

Payment deadline: 24th February 2025

Tickets can be reserved before the registration deadline for £1 per ticket. Deposits will be deducted from your total amount when invoiced. You are allowed to reduce your ticket numbers by 10% without losing any deposit up until the registration deadline. Any reserved tickets not purchased for in full that exceeds the 10% deduction allowance will result in that deposit being lost (for example, if 50 tickets are reserved at £50 and only 35 tickets are ordered on your final registration form, £35 will be deducted from your total amount and £15 will be lost). If payment is not made by the payment deadline date, your teacher's commission will no longer be deducted from your invoice and your tickets will no longer be secured. We recommend collecting ticket money before submitting your form.

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Ticket prices: £59 dancer / £39 per spectator / £42 parent dancer

A dancer ticket entitles a dancer to compete in 2 x teams, 1 x knockout street solo, 1 x knockout slow solo, 1 x street set solo, 1 x contemporary set solo, 1 x knockout slow duo, 1 x knockout slow duo, 1 x knockout street trio/quad, 1 x knockout slow trio/quad, 1 x parent & child slow duo, 1 x parent & child street duo, 1 x Burn the Floor school challenge team, 1 x Ultimate Team Champions (if qualified) and entry to our Saturday night Purple & Black ball!!

Any additional entries per dancer will be charged at £5 each.

Carers and U3: FREE

Parents competing in the Parents team challenge or parent & child duo must purchase a Parent Dancer ticket.

Coaches will receive 50p commission from each ticket for 50 or less tickets, £1 per ticket for over 50 tickets sold if paid by the deadline date.

Schools of 8 dancers or less will receive 1 x free coach pass. Schools of over 9 dancers will receive 2 x free coach passes.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS

Our aim is always to provide you with a fun and friendly environment to compete in with good vibes, love and support!

Here are some regulations that you must follow when attending our event:

Coaches should have two copies of a register of spectators and dancers.

Dance coaches should have the correct insurance policies in place to attend dance events with their school.

Entry fees are non-refundable. All coaches should advise audacity hosts if their dancers are not able to perform.

No dancer should perform with an injury or sprain.

Foul language or aggressive behaviour is not tolerated. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in your school being disqualified from the competition.

Sportsmanship is the upmost importance. All schools should be supportive of one another regardless of age or ability. Negative discussions between coaches or spectators are not permitted. Any such reports of this behaviour will be frowned upon subsequently jeopardising your place in the competition and future audacity events.

The venue is an alcohol and smoke free zone. Please be respectful of the building and grounds.

MUSIC AND COSTUMES

All music must be relevant for specific age groups. Profanities and referrals of a sexual nature are not acceptable

Coaches must send in team music via email to <u>info@audacityevents.co.uk</u> and are <u>advised to bring additional copies of music on the day of the event as backup.</u>

Costumes must be of appropriate attire.

Props are not permitted in knockout solo and duo rounds.

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COMPLAINTS

A designated official will be available during the event to answer any questions. Formal complaints must be recorded with an official on the day of the competition and then followed up within seven days of the competition. Complaints will not be taken lightly. Refunds will not be given in a result if a complaint but will be dealt with appropriately and efficiently. Complaints can also be emailed to: info@audacityevents.co.uk

JUDGES

Up to three judges will be present at the competition.

In teams, a total score of 60 points are available from each independent judge equalling a total of 180 points overall.

Please respect the judges' space when performances are taking place.

The judges' decisions are final.

ABILITY CATEGORIES

Novice – beginners or dancers/crews that have never placed in the top 3 out of 5 or more at any competition. Applies to all age categories.

Intermediate – dancers/crews who have placed in the top 3 out of 5 or more at any competition. Does not apply to u4 and u6 age categories.

Special Needs (SEN) – dancers with additional needs. Can dance with a Carer and/or equipment.

*Audacity reserve the right to merge ability/age groups if categories are too small *If dancers/crews have moved up an age category, they may move down by one ability category. Once you have competed at Advanced level you are unable to move down to Novice at any time.

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KNOCKOUT SOLOS

Style Categories:

Street / Slow (contemporary/lyrical)

Age categories:

Under 4s / under 6s / under 8s / under 10s/ under 12s / under 14s / under 16s/ under 18s / 18+

Ability Categories:

Novice / Intermediate (ability categories do not apply to U4 or U6)

All dancers will perform on the floor at the same time and finalists will be chosen through knockout rounds.

Solo music will be chosen at random. Slow commercial music will be played for Slow. Commercial Hip-hop/RnB music will be played for Street

No dancer will be aware of music selection until the rounds commence.

Music will be played until the judges have reached their decision.

Dancers can only compete in one age ability category.

Travelling acrobatics are not permitted until final rounds.

Acrobatics are only permitted in final rounds.

Coaches must only compete in Intermediate.

Dancers will be placed 1st to 6th in each category.

What the judges are looking for:

Musicality, Variety, Interpretation, Energy and Confidence

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KNOCKOUT DUOS

Style Categories:

Street / Slow (contemporary/lyrical)

Age Categories:

Under 4s / under 6s / under 8s / under 10s/ under 12s / under 14s / under 16s/ under 18s / 18+

Ability Categories:

Novice / Intermediate

All dancers will perform on the floor at the same time and finalists will be chosen through knockout rounds.

Music will be chosen at random. Slow commercial music will be played for Slow and Commercial Hip-hop/Rnb/dance will be played between 120-126bpm for Street.

No dancer will be aware of music selection until the rounds commence.

Music will be played until the judges have reached their decision.

Duos must compete in the age category of the oldest dancer.

Duos must compete in the ability category of the higher-abled dancer (a duo made up of one novice and one intermediate dancer will compete in intermediate)

Acrobatics are only permitted in final rounds.

Duos will be placed 1st to 6th in each category.

Coaches must only compete in Intermediate.

Each placed duo will receive two trophies or medals.

What the judges are looking for:

Musicality, Variety, Interpretation, Energy, Connection and Creativity

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KNOCKOUT QUADS

Style Categories:

Street / Slow (contemporary/lyrical)

Age Categories:

Under 6s / under 8s / under 10s / under 12s / under 14s / under 16s / under 18s / 18+

Ability Categories do not apply to Quads

All dancers will perform on the floor at the same time and finalists will be chosen through knockout rounds.

Music will be set and will be published in advance of the event.

Music will be played until the judges have reached their decision.

Quads are allowed one dancer to fall into the age category above the one they are competing in.

Trios are welcome to enter Quads.

Acrobatics are only permitted in final rounds.

Quads will be placed 1st to 3rd in each category.

Each placed quad will receive four trophies or medals.

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TEAMS

Style Categories

Street – for routines that include elements of street / hiphop / commercial / breaking

Classical – for routines that include elements of ballet/contemporary/lyrical

Theatrical – for routines that include elements of Acro/Jazz/Pom Dance/Modern/ Musical Theatre

If you cannot see your style above please place your routine in whichever category you feel is the most suitable.

Age Categories:

Under 4s / under 6s / under 8s / under 10s/ under 12s / under 14s / under 16s/ under 18s/ 18+

Megacrew – A team of a minimum of 15 dancers consisting of a mixture of ages and ability

*Each team is allowed TWO dancers to fall into the age category above the one they are competing in but no older; for example, a crew of 11 year old dancers with two 12 year old dancers would still compete in under 12s, but a team of 11 year old dancers with one or more 14 year old dancers would have to compete in under 14s. A team of 11 year old dancers with one or more 15 year old dancers would have to compete in under 16s.

Ability Categories:

Novice / Intermediate / SEN

Entry limits:

Although we do not limit the amount of routines a school can enter please be aware that we have a restriction on performance slots and these are taken on a first come first served basis. A dancer ticket allows a dancer to compete in 2 teams. Any additional team entries are charged at £5 per dancer.

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TEAMS

Choreography must be appropriate for the age of performer.

Teams must consist of between 3 and 25 members.

Teams entering the novice category must consist of at least 50% of novice dancers, for example; a team of 10 containing 6 intermediate/advanced members cannot compete in novice

Acrobatics are permitted during routines as long as they are performed safely.

5 points will be deducted from the overall score if any movements are deemed unsafe.

The use of props is permitted.

There is a time limit of 2minutes and 30 seconds for routines.

Time will be counted from the first movement, chant or beat of music. Music will be faded out at the time limit.

Teams will be placed from 1st to 5th. All team entries will receive a trophy.

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Parent & Child Duo

Style Categories:

Street / Slow (contemporary/lyrical)

Age categories:

u8 / u14 / 14+

Duos must consist of one adult and one dancer. We can allow 2 dancers to make a trio if there are siblings that fall in the same age category.

All dancers will perform on the floor at the same time and finalists will be chosen through knockout rounds.

Music will be chosen at random.

No dancer will be aware of music selection until the rounds commence.

Music will be played until the judges have reached their decision.

Duos must compete in the age category of the dancer.

Duos will be placed 1st to 5th in each category.

Each placed duo will receive two medals.

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Set Solos

Style categories:

Street / Contemporary

Age/Ability Categories:

Beginner U12 Beginner U16 Beginner 16+

Intermediate U8
Intermediate U12
Intermediate U16
Intermediate 16+

- There will be one set novice routine and one set intermediate routine. These will be available to view online at www.audacityevents.co.uk 3 months before the event.
- A dancer can only compete in one category
- A dancer can choose which ability routine they would like to compete with. Their knockout ability category is not applicable for set solos.

All dancers will perform on the floor at the same time and finalists will be chosen through knockout rounds.

Music will be played until the judges have reached their decision.

Dancers will be placed 1st to 6th in each category.

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BURN THE FLOOR SCHOOL CHALLENGE

The Challenge...

Each school has 5 minutes to use all dancers in a performance!! Anything goes....be creative!! Let's see what your school is all about!

Choreography must be appropriate for the age of performer.

Acrobatics are permitted during routines as long as they are performed safely.

5 points will be deducted from the overall score if any movements are deemed unsafe.

The use of props is permitted.

There is a time limit of 5 minutes for your performance. There is no minimum time requirement. Time will be counted from the first movement, chant or beat of music. Music will be faded out at the time limit.

Teams will be placed from 1st to 5th. All team entries will receive a trophy.

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PARENTS TEAM CHALLENGE

The Challenge...

Assemble a parents team and perform a routine of any style!

Parents teams must consists of parents/adult family members only. No dancers or coaches can compete in a parents teams.

Teams must consist of a minimum of 3 dancers.

Acrobatics are permitted during routines as long as they are performed safely.

5 points will be deducted from the overall score if any movements are deemed unsafe.

The use of props is permitted.

There is a time limit of 2 minutes and 30 seconds for your performance. There is no minimum time requirement. Time will be counted from the first movement, chant or beat of music. Music will be faded out at the time limit.

Teams will be placed from 1st to 5th. All team entries will receive a trophy.

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ULTIMATE TEAM CHAMPIONS

For qualified teams only!

All 'Team of the Day' winners at our events in the run up to The Ultimate Dancer Weekender will qualify for our Ultimate Team Champions Round. All qualified teams will go head to head with a performance to fight for the title of Ultimate Team Champions!

Teams must consist of a minimum of 3 dancers.

Acrobatics are permitted during routines as long as they are performed safely.

5 points will be deducted from the overall score if any movements are deemed unsafe.

The use of props is permitted.

There is a time limit of 2 minutes and 30 seconds for your performance. There is no minimum time requirement. Time will be counted from the first movement, chant or beat of music. Music will be faded out at the time limit.

Teams will be placed from 1st to 5th. All team entries will receive a trophy and our Ultimate Team Champions will win a cash prize!

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SCORING

For the knockout rounds of solos, duos and quads, judges will be asked to pick a specific number of dancers depending on the overall number of competitors.

Dancers will be eliminated after each round depending on the judges' selections In the final round, judges will place dancers from 1st to 6th place awarding dancers the following points:

 1^{st} – 10 points. 2^{nd} – 8 points. 3^{rd} – 6 points. 4^{th} – 4 points. 5^{th} – 2 points. 6^{th} – 0 points.

Scores will be calculated and determine the overall placing. In the event of a tie, dancers will battle head to head and judges will make a unanimous decision on who places higher

Teams will be scored from 0 to 10 in the following:

- 1. Technique/Portrayal of styles 2. Precision/Execution/Dynamics
- 3. Formations/Spacing/Transitions 4. Confidence/Projection/Energy
- 5. Choreography/Creativity/Originality 6. Overall Impression (in the event of a tie, the team with the highest overall impression score will place above)

0-2 = Below Average 3-4 = Average 5-6 = Good 7-8 = Very Good 9-10 = Excellent

A maximum of 180 points can be scored across the three judges

Scoresheets will be available for coaches to collect after team results are called Although there are no official rules regarding teams being helped from the sidelines, please be aware that judges may deduct points for this at their discretion

For further information on our competition rules please visit our website: www.audacityevents.co.uk

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- The running order of the weekend will be confirmed after the registration deadline.
- Your ticket includes entry to our Saturday night Purple and Black Ball which will include DJ's, live entertainment, fun & games and extra competitions! Let's party!!
- Extra categories and workshops may be added once all entries have been received.
- This event is a Championship Qualifier for our 2025-2026 Championship final!
 Qualifying categories are: Street & Slow knockout solos, Street & Slow knockout duos and Street, Classical & Theatrical teams.
- This event does not include accommodation but there are plenty of hotels & B&Bs nearby.
- The competition will start at approximately 10:30am on the Saturday. All times will be confirmed after the registration deadline.
- All dancers will receive a limited edition Ultimate Weekender Medal!
- The performance area is a hard wooden floor and will be approximately 12m wide by 12m deep

We hope to see you at our very first weekender!!!