

Information for Nationals

We are glad that you chose Platinum as one of your regional competitions to attend this year. We would like to invite you to attend our National Finals this summer in Panama City, Florida (June 12-17) and Pigeon Forge, Tennessee (June 27-July 1). Outlined below are the qualifications and general guidelines for attending the Platinum National Finals. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to call or email us.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- A studio must attend a Platinum regional competition during Platinum's 2017 competition season.
- Studio's entries must achieve Platinum Plus, Platinum, Gold, or Silver to attend the National Finals.
- If a studio does not attend a Platinum regional competition or if a particular entry was unable to compete at a regional, they may submit a video of all entries that they would like to enter in the National Finals for consideration. All video entries must be received 30 days from the date of the competition to be considered for entry into the National Finals. All video entries must be accompanied with entry fees in the event they are accepted into the National Finals. Entries that are not accepted will have their entry fee refunded in full.

GENERAL RULES & GUIDELINES:

- All National entries must be received in the Platinum office accompanied with payment in full 30 days from the Competition Date. Entries will not be processed without full payment. **We accept credit card, money order or certified check.**
- All entries will remain in the same age division for Nationals as they competed in for Regionals. Entries may change levels and categories with permission from Platinum Directors.
- Entries may drop from a Line to a Large Group, a Large Group to a Small Group, a Small Group to a Duet/Trio. An entry may **not** compete as a solo if it competed as a duet/trio at Regionals.
- Platinum will allow one dancer substitution for duet/trios, small groups, large groups, and lines. However, permission must be obtained by the Platinum Directors before the National Finals.



Nationals Cash Awards

There must be a minimum of 10 entries per age division, level, and type of entry in order for Cash awards to be given out.

Top Overall Solo	\$125.00	Top Overall Duet/Trio	\$150.00
Top Overall Small Group	\$200.00	Top Overall Large Group	\$250.00
Top Overall Line	\$1000.00		

Studio Rebates

Platinum will give studios a rebate of 5% on their National Entry Fees if entries, along with payments in full, are received **45 days prior to the first day of the National Competition**. All rebate checks will be included in your Nationals Finals Welcome Bag you'll receive at registration upon check-in at the Nationals Finals in Panama City, Florida and/or Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.

SOLO BEST OF THE BEST BATTLE

(Will compete after their respective last awards)

**11 & Under Solo Battle - TOP 6 highest scores
for all Petites & Juniors, broken down by level**

**12 & Over Solo Battle - TOP 6 highest scores
for all Teens and Seniors, broken down by level**

PLATINUM'S RECREATIONAL GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Will compete Friday night with Special Performances by All Title Winners)

**11 & Under Recreational Grand Championship
TOP 8 highest scores for all Petites & Juniors**

**12 & Over Recreational Grand Championship
TOP 8 highest scores for Teens & Seniors**

PLATINUM'S INTERMEDIATE & ELITE GRAND CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Will compete Saturday night following the Opening Number Extravaganza)

Intermediates

**11 & Under Intermediate Grand Championship
TOP 8 highest scores for all Petites & Juniors**

**12 & Over Intermediate Grand Championship
TOP 8 highest scores for Teens & Seniors**

Elites

**11 & Under Elite Grand Championship
TOP 8 highest scores for all Juniors**

**12 & Over Elite Grand Championship
TOP 8 highest scores for Teens & Seniors**



GUIDELINES

A studio may only have two acts performing in each age category (11 & Under/12 & Over) in the Grand Championship. For example, "ABC Studio" may have only 2 acts in the 11 & Under Recreational Grand Championship, they could also have 2 acts in the 12 & Over Recreational Grand Championship. They could, for example, have 2 Petite entries, 2 Junior entries, or 1 Petite and 1 Junior entry, whatever entries scored the highest. If the same studio represents more than 2 of the highest scoring entries, we will move down the list to the 3rd, 4th, etc. scores to fill all 8 slots. With all 3 Grand Championships a studio could have a grand total of 12 entries competing for "Best of the Best".

The TOP 8 highest scores from each age division can be a duet/trio, small group, large group, line or production.

We will name the "Best of the Best" for each age division, 11 & Under and 12 & Over. This means Petites & Juniors and Teens & Seniors will compete against each other for the title of "Best of the Best" in their respective levels. In the event there are not enough entries, levels of Grand Championships may be combined.

FREE NATIONALS WORKSHOPS

Platinum will be offering **THREE FREE** workshops from Master Teachers, who are also your judges for the Nationals Finals. The workshop times will be available with the schedule about 2 weeks before the event.

GRAND CHAMPIONSHIP OPENING NUMBER

Studio Directors attending the Platinum National Finals may select five dancers to participate in the Grand Championship Opening Number. Studio Directors are given the task of selecting the five most deserving, talented, hard-working, respectful dancers from their studio to represent them in the Grand Championship Opening Number. We ask that all representative dancers be at least 10 years old and their **jazz dance level be at the Intermediate/Elite Level**. The dancers will learn the choreography for the Opening Number in three rehearsal sessions with a dress rehearsal prior to the Grand Championship. All dancer representatives from their studio **must attend all rehearsals** in order to perform in the Opening Number. The dates and times of the rehearsals will be announced two weeks prior to the National Competition.

Each studio dancer representative must remit payment of **\$90.00** which will cover the cost of the basic costume and the choreography and rehearsal time of the choreographer. The Opening Number fee is due with submission of your Nationals entries. This opportunity of working and learning from a fantastic teacher and choreographer and performing with the best dancers from each studio is priceless!

Registration for the Opening Number can be done online with your National's registration. Each participant will receive a Platinum Top and Katrina shorts to wear in the Opening Number. Participants will need to provide the following: suntan footless tights, foot thongs/foot undeez, appropriate undergarments.

**We look forward to having you at our Nationals
in beautiful Panama City Beach and Pigeon Forge!**