



FOURTH INTERNATIONAL CHILDREN AND YOUTH BALLET FESTIVAL- CONTEST „CODA 2017”

REGULATIONS

International Ballet Festival-Contest „**CODA 2017**“ - is the festival that promotes classical dance / ballet, as a professional artistic development and encourages international cultural exchange. This is an opportunity to meet new collectives, to share the joys brought by classical dance, successes, experience, and professionalism.

Dance School “CODA” represented by VšĮ “Codalt”, Klaipeda, is organizing this International Ballet Festival-Contest. The founder of the Dance School has graduated from The National M. K. Čiurlionis School of Arts, former part-time lecturer at the Ballet Department of this School of Arts. Currently she is the artist of the Klaipeda State Music Theatre, the founder of the dance school “CODA”.

I. GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

Ballet, classical dance is a performing arts alphabet, the basic elements of which are: dance, mime and music to merge into an integral action. While communicating with professional classical dance session organizers it was noted that there is a lack of places where the talented children could present their progress, allow them to feel the performing thrill, competition, seek for high level of performance, desire to excel and other emotions.

1.1. It is also essential to promote and develop each child's individuality, to give a chance to show their selves and their abilities.

1.2. Form the conditions for the children talent development. The goal is to absorb information about the existing activities, spread the word about it, and even encourage gifted children to pursue a professional art schools, ballet, choreography studies in higher education or the performing activities in the various theaters of the country.

1.3. Help to reveal the young and talented dancers. Encourage collectives and children benevolent communication and collaboration. Bring together the best Lithuanian and foreign dancers compete for the strongest collective name.

II. THE COMPETITION SCHEDULE

Participants: dance studios, dance schools and collectives:

2.1. **The first part** – the group of the preschool children.

2.2. Awards ceremony of the participants of the first part.

2.3. **The second part** – classical dance contest.

2.4. Break to calculate the results.

2.5. Awards ceremony of the participants and the winners of the second part.

2.6. **The third part** – neo-classical / modern and contemporary dance competition.

2.7. Break to calculate the results.

2.8. Awards ceremony of the participants and the winners of the third part.

Participants: dancers of professional ballet schools:

2.9. **The fourth part** – professional dancers contest.

2.10. Break to calculate the results.

2.11. Awards ceremony of the participants and the winners of the fourth part.

III. LOCATION AND TIME

3.1. International Ballet Festival-Contest „CODA 2017“ will take place on 20th* of May, 2017 at the Klaipeda Culture Center „Žvejų rūmai“, at Taikos pr. 70, Klaipėda.

IV. PARTICIPANTS

4.1. **Participants' categorization:**

- classical dance groups performances by groups;
- modern / neo-classical / contemporary dance groups participation.

4.2. Preschool children groups (performance length up to 3 minutes):

- 3-5 years;
- 5-7 years.

4.3. **Dance collectives** performances will be divided into the **age groups:**

- 7-9 years;
- 10-12 years;
- 13-15 years;
- 16-18 years.

4.4. **Solo** performances will be divided into the **age groups:**

- 7-8 years;
- 9-10 years;
- 11-12 years;
- 13-15 years;
- 16-18 years.

*In case of insufficient number of participants the categories may be combined to ensure competitiveness.

4.5. The **performances are divided into:**

- solo (solos, duets, trios, pas de quatre);
- dance collectives.

* To avoid misunderstandings regarding children age, the organizer reserves the right to require the dancer ID, proving their age.

IV. CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

5.1. The filled out **participant application**, including the collective name, the full names of the participants, age of the participants, and the categories they will be participating in (see the competition rules) has to be sent to the email codafestivalis@gmail.com

Additional information cellphone +370 682 35399, +370 615 79085 (Russian speakers) +370 615 79085 (English speakers).

Application form presenting deadline is 12th May 2017.

5.2. Desired number of appearances – not more than 2 dances in each category (up to 3 minutes length).

5.3. Please send Your performances music together with the application form to the email codafestivalis@gmail.com. The music sent file name shall be the same as the dance title. The music format shall be mp3 or wav. The links to the web pages are not accepted!

The application form will be included into a schedule after the entry fee-support payment is received.

5.4. Entry fee-Support to the Festival-Contest:

10 Euro/per dancer participating in the group dance;

15 Euro /per dancer participating in the solo dance;

20 Euro /per dancer participating in the solo and group dances;

(the fee is fixed independently from the dances a person is performing in. though, the number of dances in one category is limited to 2 performances).

The Entry fee-Support shall be transferred to the following account:

AB „Swedbank“, bank code 73000

Account No. LT 627300010126433396

Beneficiary: VšĮ „Codalt“

Company code: 302609907

Payment purpose: *dance collective (name)*, The participant support for the festival.

VI. EVALUATION AND PROMOTION

6.1. The jury committee will assess the participants for their artistry, dance idea, performance of technical expertise, usage of classical dance elements, diversity of movement and of music, dance and movement synchronicity.

VII. AWARDS AND PRIZES

7.1. All the collectives will be awarded with the diplomas and prizes.

7.2. The winners will be announced in each age group (I, II, and III places will receive the exclusive statuettes).

VIII. COMMITTEE

7.1. The competent panel - jury committee will be formed to evaluate the participants of The International Ballet Festival-Contest „**CODA 2017**“. The jury's decisions are no subject to appeal.

See You in The International Ballet Festival-Contest „**CODA 2017**“.