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The Bermuda Pro-Am Championships - April 8,9,10 - 2016



Representing the 4th highest standard of living in the World, the island of Bermuda invites dancers to attend the Bermuda Pro-Am Championship and the supporting **World Promotions** Dance Experience. The second time we have staged a major event in this magical location.

You are invited to represent your country and participate in the pageantry

- Pro-Am Championships for three age categories in Latin, Ballroom, Smooth and Rhythm
- Recognized by the Government of Bermuda
- Complete schedule of supporting events
- Incredible Pro-Am prize funds
- World class panels of judges
- Professional Latin Superstars in Cabaret
- Luxury VIP amenities and state of the art audio visual production
- World Promotions attention to detail and commitment to creating a unique environment for dancers
- Wide choice of packages or A'la carte admission affordability for everyone!

It's time to reward yourself and attend a World Promotions experience – The events that dancers around the world talk about ...

"Everything about this event reminded me why I got into dancing in the first place"

Judy Weinthrop, Los Angeles

Pro-Am couples from near and far will participate, Celebrities and Government dignitaries from around the world will grace us with their presence, the judges roster is a 'who's who of the dance world, International media & press will report the event worldwide. (Previous year's events have been televised and aired on over 30 channels). This year's event will be fresh and different, unique and exciting.

The event coordinators World Promotions have organized 400 unique dance events in their 25+ year history, hosted dozens of International media events; and maintain long established contacts with Governments, Tourism Leaders and PR/media companies – this assures everyone attending the utmost attention to detail. World Promotions remains totally focused on providing an experience that remains with their guests – **beyond the ballroom**. 100% Perfection is the company's standard and we are thrilled to be working with the Fairmont Hotel group – another organization known for Excellence in Service.

Enclosed in this package we hope you will find everything you need to begin your Quest for Bermuda 16.

Please, do not hesitate to contact our offices for further information or assistance in your preparations for a true WORLD DANCE EXPERIENCE! We look forward to seeing you on the dance floor.

Anna Christine Smart



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How to get there – It's So Easy!

Note the dance events begin at 9am on Saturday April 9

April 9



By Air . . .

Bermuda is surrounded by azure waters and enjoys a sub-tropical climate year round. It is located off the East Coast of the Carolinas. There are direct flights from Canada, Boston, New York, Charlotte, Philadelphia, Atlanta and Miami. **From Europe** – British Airways operates a daily direct service from London.

Routes to Bermuda are competitive with airfares from the US starting at under \$400 Round Trip but book early!

Visas & Immigration Requirements

YOU DON'T NEED SPECIAL VISAS FOR BERMUDA!

We're here to help!

Bermuda a British territory, it's tourist friendly, enjoys almost zero crime and boasts the 4th highest standard of living in the world.

For most travelers only basic documents are required to enter......

A current passport (valid 6 months after the date of travel) is sufficient. (For visitors from SOME countries such as China, Ukraine, Russia visas may be required BUT the Bermuda Government will assist for this event).

Check your country of citizenship at http://www.worldpromotionsinc.com/bermudavisa BEFORE you travel. (If you are planning on attending and need a visa - World Promotions can assist (after registration) by providing the official invitation for you to take to your local British Embassy — (please allow sufficient time to process a visa)

Transit through the United States . . .

If your journey requires you to transit through the US and you are NOT a citizen of one of the 'US visa waiver' countries

<u>YOU MIGHT</u> also need a visitors' visa to enter the United States, EVEN IF YOUR TRANSIT is simply a connection. However since you will only be visiting the US and not participating in an event there - the non-immigrant B2 Tourist visa is the correct category.

The Department of State recommended first source of visa information is the internet site. http://travel.state.gov/visa/temp For an additional visa overview, select the Department of State visa portal site, http://www.unitedstatesvisas.gov.html. It is also recommended that you review the Embassy Consular internet site, for the country where you will be applying for your visa.

Other useful travel info......

Not sure what to pack for the perfect Bermuda getaway? The electrical current is 110V, 60Hz AC, the same as the voltage used in the US and Canada

- The Bermuda dollar equals the US dollar, and the two currencies are accepted interchangeably
- There is no sales tax in Bermuda

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Competition Guidelines

DEFINITIONS

- 1 Select the Age Category of your choice. You may dance in 2 age categories. You may enter **at and/or below** your current age level not above.
- 2 Indicate the entry level (Newcomers, Bronze 1 or 2, Silver 1 or 2, Gold and above) which is appropriate for you. You may enter events at or up to 2 levels above your current level of study. You cannot enter below this level.

NEWCOMERS - Must have taken less than 50 hours of instruction at the time of entering the event. Bronze figures and styling must be adhered to. Newcomers are not expected to wear "dance costumes."

BRONZE – In Closed category a recognized Bronze syllabus should be adhered to with "closed footwork" in the smooth dances. **SILVER and GOLD** – In Closed category a recognized Silver and Gold Syllabi should be adhered to, continuity styling is expected.

- 3 Contestants may choose to enter in either **CLOSED** or **OPEN** categories. Contestants in closed categories must strictly adhere to the figures in the syllabus level in which they enter, open entries allow open/choreographed competition routines. If the selection is not completed on the entry form all entries on that form will be assumed to be **CLOSED**.
- 4 Additionally you have the option of being judged **CONTESTED** or **PROFICIENCY**. Contested entries: Are marked against other dancers in your category. Uncontested Entries: Are scored against the standard of the level in which you are entered, the score is then converted to a 1st, 2nd or 3rd placement. If the selection is not made on the entry form— all entries on that form will be assumed to be **CONTESTED**.

EVENTS GUIDE

SINGLE DANCE- Events involving several couples (Pro - Am or Amateur), dancing one type of dance on the floor at the same time. You can expect a minimum of 10 couples on the floor. The music will be played at standard tempos for 1.30mins

CLOSED MULTIDANCE EVENTS are restricted to the Silver syllabus

CHALLENGE (CHAMPIONSHIP) or OPEN MULTI DANCE EVENTS (Scholarships) - Contestants dance in either 3 or 4 dances consecutively. The category is Unisex and open to ADULT Pro-Am Partnerships.

The category is open and there are no restrictions on level of material. Placements are decided using the "skating system" of scrutineering. Prize money is awarded; 1st place \$300, 2nd Place \$200 and 3rd Place \$100

Any contestants attending the event may compete in this division however Contestants MUST attend on a Competition package (A or B) AND have a minimum of 20 paid Freestyle single dance entries to be eligible to win Prize money. Each division requires a minimum of 6 entries or the prize money will be halved.

SOLO –Choreographed routines performed by couples to individual music that shall not exceed two and a half minutes including entrance and walk off. Only competitors who have entered and paid for a minimum of 20 Freestyle Heats may reserve an exhibition spot. Only one Solo or showcase routine per student is allowed. No routine may exceed 2½ minutes and any routine exceeding 3 minutes will be charged as an additional solo entry. Music is to be provided by dancers in the form of CD (no mp4 or ipod). Appropriate costuming is allowed. VIP SOLO Routines are by invitation only and are danced in the evening.

PRO SHOWDANCE /CABARET - Choreographed routines involving a professional partnership to individual music. At least one of the partners must be registered with Pro-Am competitors for the same event. No routine may exceed 2½ minutes including entrance and exit – it can be of any style (ie-Smooth, Standard, Rhythm, Latin, Country, Hip Hop or Cabaret). Music is to be provided by dancers in the form of CD (no mp4 or ipod). Appropriate costuming is allowed.

JUDGING SYSTEM and PROFESSIONAL PRIZE MONEY

Contested Events: The judges will award one couple per division [1st Place], one couple [2nd Place], one couple [3rd Place] and so on. Uncontested (proficiency) entries are scored 1st, 2nd or 3rd.

Professional Prize money is awarded and paid based on number of entries, (a sliding scale from \$5 to \$20 per entry) – 20 entry minimum. You can use our Maximum Entry Grid to assist you in preparing your entries. At World Promotions Events **ALL** Pros have an equal opportunity to take home part of our **Big Money PRIZE FUND.**

All paid entries are eligible for World Points. (See separate brochure). Late, discounted and / or complimentary entries are not eligible toward professional Prize money.

Disclaimer

World Promotions, the hotel or any other of the managing entities do not accept any liability for loss or theft of personal items left in changing rooms, the ballrooms or hotel rooms. Neither can they be held liable for injury sustained attending this event. All contestants and spectators attend at their own risk. Furthermore all attendees explicitly allow their likeness to be used in all media forms (Including TV). Video cameras <u>are allowed</u> in the Ballroom only with the purchase of a WP VIDEO License (\$50 per day).