

St. Louis Star Ball Championships

March 7-10, 2018

RENAISSANCE ST. LOUIS AIRPORT HOTEL

**Pro/Am -- Amateur -- Professional
Closed & Open Championships and
Scholarships
NDCA Recognized
DANCER'S CUP TOUR EVENT**

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** Schedule of Events **

Wednesday - March 7, 2018

- 6:00 P.M. American Rhythm Club Dance Events
Includes all levels of American Samba, West Coast Swing, Merengue, Hustle, Salsa,
Night Club Two-Step, Paso Doble and Argentine Tango
Night Club Championships

Thursday - March 8, 2018

- 7-10 A.M. Breakfast (Lobby Restaurant)
9:00 A.M. American Rhythm Single Dance Events
~Dance Vision Closed Bronze and Silver Rhythm Scholarships
~Closed and Open Championships and Scholarships
~Pro/Am Junior Rhythm Scholarship
~6 and 9 Dance Championships (Rhythm Dances)
~World Pro/Am Dancesport Series (Open) Championships
~Amateur Novice Rhythm Events
~Amateur Rhythm Pre-Champ and Open Championships
- 5:30-7:30 P.M. Dinner Break
7:00 P.M. Solo Scholarships
8:30 P.M. American Smooth Gold and Open Single Dance Events
~Gold and Open Championships and Scholarships
~World Pro/Am Dancesport Series (Open) Championships
~Amateur Novice Smooth Events
~Amateur Smooth Pre-Champ and Open Championships
~9 Dance Championships (Smooth)

Friday - March 9, 2018

- 7-10 A.M. Breakfast (Lobby Restaurant)
8:00 A.M. American Smooth Bronze and Silver Single Dance Events
~Dance Vision Closed Bronze and Silver Smooth Scholarships
~Closed and Open Championships and Scholarships
~Pro/Am Junior Smooth Scholarship
~6 Dance Championships (Smooth Dances)
- 5:30-7:30 P.M. Dinner Break
6:30 P.M. International Ballroom Gold and Open Single Dance Events
~10 Dance Championship (Ballroom Dances)
~World Pro/Am Dancesport Series (Open) Championships
~ Pro/Am Ballroom Gold and Open Championships
~ Pro/Am Open Ballroom Scholarships
Professional Rising Star

Saturday - March 10, 2017

- 7-10 A.M. Breakfast (Lobby Restaurant)
8:30 A.M. International Ballroom Bronze and Silver Single Dance Events
~Closed Bronze Championships and Scholarships, Junior Ballroom Scholarship
~Amateur Novice and Pre-Champ Ballroom Events
- 12:30 P.M. International Latin Single Dance Events
~Championships, Closed Scholarships
~World Pro/Am Dancesport Series (Open) Championships
~10 Dance Championship (Latin Dances)
~Amateur Ballroom and Latin Open Championships
~Amateur Novice and Pre-Champ Latin Events
- 5:30-7:30 P.M. Dinner Break
7:30 P.M. Pro/Am and Junior Open Latin Scholarships
Professional Open Championships
Professional Showdance

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TOP TEACHER AWARDS

1 ST Place \$5,000	5 th Place \$800
2 nd Place \$3,000	6 th Place \$500
3 rd Place \$2,000	7 th Place \$400
4 th Place \$1,000	8 th Place \$300

Teachers with 100 entries receive a \$100 bonus!

Top Teacher & Top Student point system is the same as the Dancesport Series

<http://www.dancesportseries.com/rules.php>

This is a qualifying event for “The Dancer’s Cup Tour”

Scholarships

	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	4 th Place	5 th Place	6 th Place
Pro/Am Open (A and B)	\$500	\$300	\$200	\$75	\$75	\$75
Pro/Am Closed (A, B and C)	\$300	\$200	\$100			
Junior Pro/Am (Open)	\$100	\$75	\$50			
DCT Newcomers (A and B)	\$150	\$100	\$75	DCT Vouchers	DCT Vouchers	DCT Vouchers
DCT Seniors	\$150	\$100	\$75	DCT Vouchers	DCT Vouchers	DCT Vouchers

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PRO/AM and AMATEUR COUPLE

AGE CATEGORIES:

One Dance:

PT 1 - up to 8	A - 16 - 20	B1 - 51 - 60	C1 - 71 - 80	A Combined - 16 - 45
PT 2 - 9 - 12	A1 - 21 - 35	B2 - 61 - 70	C2 - 81+	B Combined - 46 +
JR 1 - 12 - 14	A2 - 36 - 50			C Combined - 65 +
JR 2 - 14 - 16				
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Multi-Dance:

Pro/Am Closed Championships	Closed Scholarships	Open Scholarships	DCT Scholarships
A - 16 - 35	A - 16 - 35	A - 45 and under	A - 45 and under
B - 36 - 50	B - 36 - 50	B - 46 and over	B - 46 and over
C - 51 and over	C - 51 and over		SR - 66 and over
SR - 65 and over			

LEVELS:

NC Newcomer *** Proficiency levels in all styles offered***

PB Pre-Bronze	PS Pre-Silver	PG Pre-Gold
IB Intermediate Bronze	IS Intermediate Silver	IG Intermediate Gold
OIB Open Intermediate Bronze	OIS Open Intermediate Silver	OIG Open Intermediate Gold
FB Full Bronze	FS Full Silver	FG Full Gold
OB Open Bronze	OS Open Silver	OG1 Open Gold 1
		OG2 Open Gold 2

Dance Categories & Dances:

American Style Smooth	American Style Rhythm	American Style Rhythm Club
Waltz (W)	Cha Cha (CC)	West Coast Swing (WC)
Tango (T)	Rumba (R)	Night Club 2-Step (NC)
Fox Trot (F)	East Coast Swing (SW)	Merengue (Mer) Arg. Tango (AT)
Viennese Waltz (VW)	Bolero (Bol)	Disco Hustle (H) Paso Doble (PD)
Peabody (P)	Mambo (M)	Salsa (Sal) Samba (S)

<u>International Style Ballroom</u>	<u>International Style Latin</u>
Waltz(W)	Cha Cha (CC)
Tango (T)	Samba (S)
Viennese Waltz (VW)	Rumba (R)
Fox Trot (F)	Paso Doble (PD)
Quickstep (QS)	Jive (J)

Theater Arts

One Dance Solo

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PRO/AM and AMATEUR COUPLE (Cont'd)

PRO/AM Closed and Senior Open Championships

American Smooth 3 Dance Championships	Bronze (W/T/F)	Gold (W/T/F)
	Silver (W/T/F)	SROpen(W/T/F)
American Rhythm 3 Dance Championships	Bronze (CC/R/SW)	Silver (CC/R/SW)
	Gold (CC/R/SW)	SR Open(CC/R/SW)
	Night Club (Sal/Mer/WC)	
International Ballroom 3 Dance Championships	Bronze (W/T/Q)	Gold (W/T/Q)
	Silver (W/T/Q)	SR Open (W/T/Q)
International Latin 3 Dance Championships	Bronze (CC/R/J)	Gold (CC/R/J)
	Silver (CC/R/J)	SR Open(CC/R/J)

Pro/Am Dancesport Series Championships

American Smooth	(W, T, F, VW)
American Rhythm	(CC, R, SW, B, M)
International Ballroom	(W, T, VW, F, QS)
International Latin	(CC, S, R, PD, J)

PRO/AM SCHOLARSHIPS * (— Must enter 5 Pro/Am One Dance Events per Scholarship)

American Junior Scholarship (Open)	(W, T, F)	(CC, R, SW)
International Junior Scholarship (Open)	(W, T, QS)	(CC, R, J)

American Smooth (Closed Divisions)	(W, T, F)
American Rhythm (Closed Divisions)	(CC, R, SW)
International Ballroom (Closed Divisions)	(W, T, QS)
International Latin (Closed Divisions)	(CC, R, J)

American Smooth (Open)	(W, T, F, VW)
American Rhythm (Open)	(CC, R, SW, B, M)
International Ballroom (Open)	(W, T, VW, F, QS)
International Latin (Open)	(CC, S, R, PD, J)

Solo Scholarship

DCT Scholarships (Newcomers and Senior)

* Closed is restricted to Bronze and Silver Students only. Gold and Above Students may not enter.

AMATEUR AMERICAN NOVICE 2 DANCE

Bronze, Silver and Gold
(W, T) (F, VW) (CC, R) (SW, BOL) (M, S)

AMATEUR INTERNATIONAL NOVICE 2 DANCE

Bronze, Silver and Gold
(W, QS) (F, T) (CC, R) (S, J)

AMATEUR PRE-CHAMPIONSHIP

American Smooth (Open)	(W, T, F)
American Rhythm (Open)	(CC, R, SW)
International Ballroom (Open)	(W, T, QS)
International Latin (Open)	(CC, R, J)

AMATEUR OPEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

American Smooth (Open)	(W, T, F, VW)
American Rhythm (Open)	(CC, R, SW, BOL, M)
International Ballroom (Open)	(W, T, VW, F, QS)
International Latin (Open)	(CC, S, R, PD, J)

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PROFESSIONAL EVENTS

Professional Rising Star *(Friday Evening)*

American Smooth (Waltz, Tango, Foxtrot, Viennese Waltz)
American Rhythm (Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo)
International Ballroom (Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, Foxtrot, Quickstep)
International Latin (Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive)

Rising Star Prizes:

<i>1st Prize</i> \$500	<i>4th Prize</i> \$100
<i>2nd Prize</i> \$300	<i>5th Prize</i> \$100
<i>3rd Prize</i> \$200	<i>6th Prize</i> \$75

Professional Show Dance *(Saturday Evening)*

One Dance Solo

Cash Prizes:

<i>1st Prize</i> \$500	<i>4th Prize</i> \$150
<i>2nd Prize</i> \$300	<i>5th Prize</i> \$100
<i>3rd Prize</i> \$200	<i>6th Prize</i> \$100

Professional Open Championships *(Saturday Evening)*

American Smooth (Waltz, Tango, Fox Trot, Viennese Waltz)
American Rhythm (Cha Cha, Rumba, Swing, Bolero, Mambo)
International Ballroom (Waltz, Tango, Viennese Waltz, Foxtrot, Quickstep)
International Latin (Cha Cha, Samba, Rumba, Paso Doble, Jive)

Open Division Cash Prizes:

<i>1st Prize</i> \$1,500	<i>4th Prize</i> \$500
<i>2nd Prize</i> \$1000	<i>5th Prize</i> \$400
<i>3rd Prize</i> \$800	<i>6th Prize</i> \$300

Each Semi Finalist receives \$75

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RULES , REGULATIONS AND OTHER INFORMATION

1. COMPETITORS CONDUCT

All competitors, while on the competition premises, shall conduct themselves in a civil sportsmanlike manner. Each competitor is responsible to be in the ballroom ready to dance 30 minutes in advance of the scheduled time for any event.

2. PRO/AMCOMPETITION

a) Entries - There is no limit to the total number of entries a student can have in Pro/Am events. *However, a student's entries must be within two consecutive dance levels (i.e., Bronze and Silver, Silver and Gold).*

b) Newcomers - Open to beginning students for up to one year after their first ballroom competition.

c) Closed Categories (American and International) - Applies to Bronze, Silver, and Gold categories.

Material used should be based on the NDCA syllabus or NDCA member organization syllabus. **American Bronze restricted to NDCA syllabus only.**

d) Pro/Am Scholarships – Closed Scholarships limited to Bronze and Silver syllabus. Students competing in Silver single dance events may not dance in the Closed Bronze Scholarship. Students who compete in Gold Single Dances may not enter a Closed Scholarship in the same category. In addition, students must have entered at least five (5) Pro/Am One Dance events per Scholarship. All Junior Scholarship participants may dance closed or open material.

e) Solo Exhibitions - Solo routines must be less than 2 1/2 minutes in length and the music should be provided on separate MP3 or CD.

f) Clothing Restrictions - Gents required to wear coats, vests or sweaters in all Smooth and Standard Events.

3. LIABILITY - "No responsibility for loss or theft of articles left in changing rooms, ballrooms or hotel rooms can be accepted by the organizer, the NDCA, or the hotel, and neither can they be held liable for any injury sustained by persons attending the St. Louis Star Ball Championships. Everyone attending does so at their own risk."

4. In any category with fewer than 3 entries the organizer reserves the right to eliminate the age and sex divisions and merge competitors into one division.

5. GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS - Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the Ballroom door and may be standing room only.

6. NON-PACKAGE HOLDERS - Competitors and/or Spectators not on a Package Plan will be required to purchase "General Admission" tickets in addition to having paid their dance "Entry Fee(s)" if competing.

7. REFUND POLICY - Cancellations received after 19 February 2018 may be charged a \$50 processing fee.

8. VIDEO RECORDING - No video equipment will be allowed in the ballroom. There will be a professional video company present at the competition.

9. NDCA REGISTRATION - Professional Competitors and Pro/Am Teachers must be registered annually with the NDCA National Registrar. An official registration number is required on the Entry Form. If in the process of registering, the number must be provided upon Registration at the St Louis Star Ball. For further information contact: Lee Wakefield, National Registrar, NDCA, P.O. Box 22018, Provo, Utah 84602-2018.

10. NDCA RULES - "All persons attending the St. Louis Star Ball Championships, whether as spectators, competitors, officials, or guests of the organizer, shall be bound by the National Dance Council of America Inc. rules, and by participating in this event automatically become obligated to adhere to them."