



MIAMI LATIN DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Rules and Regulations:

Cost: All competitors must purchase a full event pass in order to compete. In order to register for the competition you will be charged an additional \$100 per couple (\$50 per dancer).

Categories:

Amateure Bachata Showcase
Professional Bachata Showcase
Amateure Salsa Showcase
Professional Salsa Showcase

Definitions:

An “Amateur Dancer” is defined as a person who is not compensated monetarily for their dancing or teaching.

A “Professional Dancer” is a dancer who makes a portion of their living or 100% of their living off of their dance ability, whether it be by teaching or performing.

Duration of Showcase:

Couple Showcase 2:00 – 2:30

Salsa Showcase Rules:

Dancers are allowed to dance on1 or on2. If you are dancing on2 salsa your timing must show a break forward on the 2 count and a break backward on the 6 count or visa-versa. This timing must be maintained throughout the entire dance. If you are dancing on1 salsa your timing must show a forward break on the 1 count and a back break on the 5 count or visa-versa. This timing must be maintained throughout the entire dance. Lifts, Tricks and Dips are allowed through out the routine. However, competitors need to show a balance between dancing and trick related moves.

Bachata Showcase Rules:

Dancers must maintain a consistent timing throughout the entire routine showing a press into the floor between steps. Lifts, Tricks and Dips are allowed through out the routine. However, competitors need to show a balance between dancing and trick related moves.



Judging Criteria:

20% Timing – Do the dancers show and maintain proper timing through out the entire dance.

20% Latin Dance Technique – Do the dancers demonstrate the true essence and feel of the genre they are dancing? Judges will look at body movement, hip rotation, groundedness, etc.

20% General Dance Technique – Do the dancers demonstrate proper dance training such as pointed toes, turned out feet, proper use of Port De Bras, etc?

20% Musicality – How do the dancers interpret the music? Does the dance reflect the music?

10% Difficulty Level – Are the dancers executing a high level of turn patterns, spins, extensions, etc?

10% Presentation – How well put together are the dancers? Judges will look at costume, hair, makeup, and presence on stage. Are the dancers projecting to the judges and to their partners or are they introverted and looking down?

Costumes

Appropriate costumes are required by all competitors. Ladies must wear fishnet stockings and high heel latin dance shoes. Men must wear a jazz shoe (not sneaker) or Cuban heel.

Prizes and Awards:

The top three couples in each category will receive trophies. Other prizes to be announced shortly.

Judges:

TBA

Competition Schedule:

TBA

