

Central Florida Classic Open Championship & Premiership

January 17 – 19, 2026

USSE-11-FL

1000 Central Winds Park, Winter Springs FL. 32708

Organizers: Lisa Backovsky and Kathryn Austin

Deadline for Entry: Received by **January 5, 2026.**

Late Entry: **Received January 6** or after – \$20.00 fee, pick up tickets at host hotel.

Judges: Megan Ashworth, Cindy Kopenski, Anne Sutherland

Pipers: Doug Frobese, Texas, and Brian Green, Illinois

Entry fees include dancer entry ticket and parking pass for the day they register to compete - Tickets will be mailed with parking passes if entries are received before January 5, 2026. (Canadians please allow for extra mailing time). Parking passes are not guaranteed for late registrations.

HIGHLAND DANCING RULES:

The competition has been sanctioned by the RSOBHD.

Competition will conform to **RSOBHD RULES**. **Please bring a valid 2026 RSOBHD Registration card when registering. If a dancer does not bring their RSOBHD card with them, they will not be allowed to compete.**

Age will be computed as of the day before the competition. Age groups will be determined by entries received.

Competitors will dance in reverse order of entry.

All judges' decisions are final. Competitors must remain in dancing attire until all medals and trophies have been awarded. It is the dancer's responsibility to abide by the Three-Month Rule (may not have taken any classes, Skype lessons, workshops, etc. with the judges for the event).

AWARDS:

- MOST PROMISING BEGINNER Judges' Award – Includes a scholarship in memory of Andrea H. White.
- DANCER OF THE DAY All Premier dancers placing first in Saturday's events will compete in a dance off (4 step Fling) for this award.
- FLORIDA DANCER OF THE DAY based on aggregate points. (Saturday only)

Award Money:

- Championship & Premiership Age Groups under 16: \$35 - \$30 - \$25 - \$20 - \$15 - \$10
- Championship & Premiership Age Groups over 16: \$40 - \$35 - \$30 - \$25 - \$20 - \$15
- Choreography Prize Money will be awarded for top three places.
 - Solo \$50, \$30, \$20
 - Group \$100, \$75, \$50

Trophy will be awarded to the dancer with the highest points in each class for Prepremier and Premier. Primary will receive medals only. Runner Up trophies for Premier. Cash awards for all Premier groups.

All sales are final -- there are no refunds.

Please refer to the official rules for competition at <https://www.scotdanceusa.com/>

To register please go to www.flascot.com for the online registration process.

For any questions regarding the competition, please contact:
Lisa Backovsky or Kathryn Austin at cfhghighlanddance@outlook.com

Saturday Dance Events

Morning Championship Registration 8:00AM. Dancing to start at 8:30 AM

Championship groups must have a minimum of 6 competitors to be a valid championship.

Age Groups: 7 & Under 12, 12 & Under 14, 14 & Under 16, 16 & under 18, 18 & Under 22, 22 & Over (pending RSOBHD approval)

Premier Championship Entry Fee: \$40 - 2026 Approved Championship Dances

1. Fling
2. Sword
3. Seann Triubhas
4. 2026 Reel

Pre-Premier and Restricted Premier registration begins at 1:00PM.

Age groups will be determined based on entries

A Restricted Premier dancer is defined as one who has not won an overall trophy in a Premier or Restricted Premier class for two (2) years preceding January 17, 2026

Primary Entry Fee: \$20

1. 16 Pas de Basques
2. PDBs & High cuts (x4)
3. Fling – 4
4. Sword – 2+1

Beginner Entry Fee: \$25

5. Fling – 4
6. Sword – 2+1
7. Seann Triubhas – 3+1

Novice Entry Fee: \$25

9. Fling – 4
10. Sword 2+1
11. Seann Triubhas – 3+1

Intermediate Entry Fee: \$25

13. Fling – 4
14. Sword – 2+1
15. Seann Triubhas – 3+1

Restricted Premier Entry Fee: \$25

16. Fling – 4
17. Seann Triubhas – 3+1
18. Half Tulloch
19. Barracks Johnnie (4)

Sunday Dance Events and Event Numbers

Morning Premiership Registration 8:00AM. Dancing to start at 8:30 AM

Championship groups must have a minimum of 6 competitors to be a valid premiership.

Age Groups: 7 & Under 12, 12 & Under 14, 14 & Under 16, 16 & under 18, 18 & Under 22, 22 & Over (pending RSOBHD approval)

Premiership Entry Fee: \$40

1. Hornpipe
2. Blue Bonnets
3. Earl of Errol
4. Scottish Lilt

2026 Approved Premiership Dances

Solo Choreography Entry: \$25

5. Solo Choreography - Premier dancers.
Limited to 20 entries
Can not be over 2 minutes

Group Choreography Entry: \$25

6. Group Choreography
Can not be over 4 minutes
Must complete choreography registration form to compete.

Choreography competition will be held before the morning awards. Please email edited music by January 5th to CFHGHIGHLANDDANCE@outlook.com with the dancer's/group's full name and the name of the song in the email

Pre-Premier registration begins at 11:30AM for TENTATIVE 12:00PM start.

Age groups will be determined based on entries

Beginner Entry Fee: \$25

1. Lilt - 4
2. Flora - 4
3. Half Tulloch

Novice Entry Fee: \$25

4. Lilt – 4
5. Flora – 4
6. Half Tulloch

Intermediate Entry Fee: \$25

7. Lilt - 4
8. Flora - 4
9. Half Tulloch

Central Florida Classic Open WORKSHOP
January 19, 2026
Held at Centre for Dance & the Performing Arts
301 S. Tubb St. Oakland FL. 34760
(do not send mail to this address)

Dancer Workshop with the Judges 8:30 AM - 1:00 PM (\$55 payment collected day of event with cash, check, or Venmo)

Teacher's Observation & Professional Discussion - 8:30 AM - 2:00 PM (\$55 payment collected day of event with cash, check, or Venmo)

Check made out to CDPA.

Dancer Schedule for the Day:

8:30am - 9:00am - Studio Open for Warm Up

9:00am – 12:00 pm - Premier Dancers Workshop

9:00am – 12:00 pm - Prepremier Dancers Workshop

12:00 pm – Lunch in studio B

12:30pm - 1:00pm – Dancer/Parent Q&A

Teacher Observation and Professional Discussion

8:30 am - 12:00 pm

12:00 – 1:00 pm – Professionals lunch with Judges

1:00 pm – 2:00 pm – Discussion time with Judges