

# DCNT SCHOLARSHIP GENERAL APPLICATION INFORMATION

***Please note: you must have completed ALL of the requirements to be eligible!***

## **BEFORE YOU GET STARTED:**

You must be a member of DCNT at the Household rate of \$75, Individual Adult rate of \$40 or the Full Time Student rate of \$30 to be considered for a scholarship. There is no application fee. Go to [http://dancecouncil.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page\\_id=60&club\\_id=752324](http://dancecouncil.clubexpress.com/content.aspx?page_id=60&club_id=752324) to renew or become a member. Membership must be confirmed to apply for individual scholarships.

**You can do so by emailing [maircawston@yahoo.com](mailto:maircawston@yahoo.com).** You are able to start your the application process (your contact information, your photos, etc.) before confirmation.

You must register and apply for scholarships online at [dancecouncilscholarships.org](http://dancecouncilscholarships.org). Returning applicants can use their page from the previous year. You may apply for more than one scholarship. You may receive only one scholarship in any one year. If you have received 2 or more scholarships in consecutive years, preference will be given to applicants who do not meet this condition. You cannot receive the same scholarship more than once. Student applicants must be between the ages of 13 : 21 on February 9 of the offered year unless otherwise stated.

## **ALL DANCE VIDEO REQUIREMENTS & SUBMISSIONS:**

- Introduce yourself in a short video, including your full name, your age and grade level in school, where this scholarship will allow you to attend a workshop, and if you have you already been accepted. Talk to the camera as if you are telling a friend about yourself and your plans, be passionate, and smile!
- Select an audition piece to showcase your talent and skill. Use appropriate technique, e.g., jazz technique for a jazz scholarship; a ballet variation for ballet, lyrical for lyrical, tap dancing for tap, etc. If you apply for scholarships in different styles, you must include multiple styles of technique in your video or separate videos labeled appropriately. **CLASSROOM WORK IS NOT ACCEPTED!**
- Wear appropriate class attire and shoes for your discipline. **NO COSTUMES ARE ACCEPTED (PRACTICE SKIRTS OR TUTUS ALLOWED)!**
- Videos of live performances **ARE NOT ACCEPTED**
- Include a full face shot and a full body shot at the end of your film.
- Regarding the video: Make sure your full body is always visible in your video and that there is enough room to dance without restriction. If you are being filmed from your reflection in the studio mirror, make sure that the mirror is clean. Do not shoot from the diagonal or at an angle. Music needs to be clear, so your musicality is evident. Although we want to hear your taps, we don't want to hear your pointe shoes!

## **VIDEO UPLOADING**

**Please follow these instructions:** open a free YouTube account, and upload your videos. **Videos MUST BE UNLISTED.** Click on your account name located in the top right of any page. Click on "My Videos" from the expanded menu. Choose the video you want to edit and click the Edit button below the video thumbnail. Scroll down to the Broadcasting and Sharing Options and find the Privacy section, where you'll see the option to make the video Public, Unlisted, or Private. Select Unlisted. Make sure to click the Save Changes button at the bottom of the page. Sharing an unlisted YouTube video: Once you've set your video as unlisted in your Account settings, you're ready to share your video. To share your video: highlight, copy and paste the URL into the space provided on your DCNT scholarship application. (If you encounter issues, confirm your YouTube Accounts is in good standing.)

## **PHOTO SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Upload one high resolution headshot (under 1mg). Additional dance photos encouraged.

**Questions: Mair (my-er) Cawston [maircawston@yahoo.com](mailto:maircawston@yahoo.com). The Dance Council of North Texas office cannot assist you with anything involved in the application process except membership questions and issues.**