

2016 Season Guidelines

For Regional Competitions Events

New for 2016 are notated in Red

Changes for Nationals are notated In Blue



SCORING GUIDELINES

Each Elite Dance Cup competition will have three judges giving verbal adjudication for each routine. In addition to commentary by the three judges, they assign a numerical score to each routine. Each judge has a total of 100 points to award.

Scoring guidelines for Regional Adjudicated Awards:

<u>Premier Level</u>		<u>Encore Level</u>		<u>Elite Level</u>	
Elite Gold	300 - 275	Elite Gold	300 - 280	Elite Gold	300 - 285
High Gold	274 - 265	High Gold	279 - 270	High Gold	284 - 275
Gold	264 - 255	Gold	269 - 260	Gold	274 - 265
High Silver	254 - 245	High Silver	259 - 250	High Silver	264 - 255
Silver	245 - under	Silver	249 - under	Silver	254 - under

Decision of the judges is final. Studio Owners/teacher, dancers and/or parents are not permitted to discuss scoring, or results with judges. Any protest must be submitted in writing to the onsite Director by the studio owner/teacher before the awards presentation begins.

Elite Dance Cup will use its full range of scoring for placement awards. In other words, Elite Gold through Silver will be adjudicated at each competition. Elite Dance Cup will break all ties for awards. In the event of a tie, the routine with the highest total score for technique then performance is deemed the higher score. Scoring sheets will be returned to the judges for a final decision if ties cannot be broken by this method.

REGIONAL PLACEMENT AWARDS

Elite Dance Cup awards a regional plaque, trophy, or medal to the studio for each routine based on the regional scoring guidelines for that routine. Corresponding ribbons/pins will be awarded to each member of the routine.

OVERALL HIGH SCORE AWARDS

Overall High score Awards will be given in each of the **Premier, Encore, and Elite Levels** and in each of the **Petite, Junior, Teen, and Senior Age Divisions**. These awards will be given in each of the General Categories of **Solo, Duo/Trio, Small Group, Large Group, and Line**. **Overall Production will be awarded to the highest scoring production in the Encore Level combining all age divisions.**

Each of the overall high scoring routines will receive one studio plaque or trophy and individual corresponding ribbons/pins. Monetary awards are given at the **Elite Level only** and to the teacher/choreographer or studio representative listed on the registration form.

There must be a minimum of 3 acts in the age division and general category to automatically award a 1st place.



REGIONAL HIGHSCORING CASH AWARDS

Elite Level

Must have a minimum of 5 acts in each general category and age division to award

	<u>Petite</u>	<u>Junior</u>	<u>Teen</u>	<u>Senior</u>
Solo	\$50.00 Gift Certificate	\$50.00 Gift Certificate	\$50.00 Gift Certificate	\$50.00 Gift Certificate
Duo/Trio	\$75.00 Cash Award	\$75.00 Cash Award	\$75.00 Cash Award	\$75.00 Cash Award
Small Group	\$100.00 Cash Award	\$100.00 Cash Award	\$100.00 Cash Award	\$100.00 Cash Award
Large Group	\$125.00 Cash Award	\$125.00 Cash Award	\$125.00 Cash Award	\$125.00 Cash Award
Line	\$150.00 Cash Award	\$150.00 Cash Award	\$150.00 Cash Award	\$150.00 Cash Award

Must have a minimum of 5 acts in general category to award 1st - (10) acts to award 2nd & 3rd

	1st	2nd	3rd
Production	\$200.00 Cash Award	\$100.00 Cash Award	\$75.00 Cash Award

REGIONAL HIGHSCORING AWARDS ADULT AND PRO-AM DIVISION

Elite Dance Cup will award the overall high scoring routine in each of the **Premier, Encore, and Elite Levels in the Adult Age Division, combining all General and Performance Categories**. The overall high scoring routines will receive one studio plaque or trophy and individual corresponding ribbons. There must be a minimum of 3 acts in Level to award.

The Pro-Am Division is at the Elite Level Only. Elite Dance Cup will award the high scoring routine combining all General and Performance Categories. The overall high scoring routine will receive one studio plaque or trophy and individual corresponding ribbons. There must be a minimum of 3 acts in Division to award.

DIVISIONAL HIGH SCORE AWARDS

Divisional High score Awards will be given in **all Levels** in each of the General Categories except production. They must have a minimum of 10 acts in the general category to award and must not be the recipient of the Elite Cup Award.

REGIONAL JUDGES AWARDS

Special awards for **Best Costume, Best Precision, Best Emotional Execution and Best Stage Presence** will be given. The award will be presented to the studio.

ELITE ENTERTAINMENT AWARD - Teacher/Choreographer award

A special plaque or trophy and \$50.00 in cash in the Elite Level, gift certificate in Encore Level will be awarded to the teacher/choreographer of the routine deemed by the judges to be the most entertaining of the competition. Levels will be combined if less than 50 group entries are in the level.

ELITE CHOREOGRAPHY AWARD – Teacher/Choreographer award

A special plaque or trophy and Scholarship to **CLI Studio's** will be awarded in the Elite and Encore Levels, this award will be presented to the teacher/choreographer of the routine deemed by the judges to be the best choreography of the competition. Levels will be combined if less than 50 group entries are in the level.

ELITE SPOTLIGHT AWARD

Studios with a minimum of 5 groups or lines entered into the competition will be recognized for their studio's highest scoring technical performance. The award will be presented to the studio.

ELITE STUDIO AWARD

The studio owner or director will receive conference entrance fee paid for the first [International Dance Educators Association \(I.D.E.A.\) Business Conference](#) for dance school owners, July 30-Aug. 1 at the 5 Diamond Phoenician Resort in Scottsdale, AZ. To be eligible a studio must enter a minimum of 25 entries of which 10 must be groups or lines. The average of your 10 highest scoring group routines regardless of level or age will determine the winner. There must be 2 studios eligible for award to be given.

ELITE CUP AWARD

A special plaque or trophy and \$150.00 in cash will be awarded to the teacher/choreography in the Elite Level and a gift certificate in the Encore Level for the group routine receiving the highest score of the competition in their respective levels. Special award ribbons/pins will be given to individual performers. Levels will be combined if less than 50 group entries per level are registered. [The Elite Cup Award is not awarded at Nationals.](#)

ELITE SHOWCASE OF STARS

[On the final evening of National Competition, the top 4 groups or lines from each of our four age divisions in both the Encore and Elite Levels will compete for National Division Champions. Studios will be limited to one entry per age division per level.](#)

Elite Dance Cup gives Thousands of dollars in Scholarship Opportunities and Awards at every location!



SCHOLARSHIPS

High School Dance Intensive Scholarships



OKLAHOMA CITY UNIVERSITY

ANN LACY SCHOOL OF AMERICAN DANCE AND ARTS MANAGEMENT

Elite Dance Cup awards to promising high school sophomores, juniors, and seniors, scholarships to attend the renowned [Oklahoma City University, Ann Lacy School of American Dance and Arts Management High School Dance Intensive Program.](#)

Jayson Michaels Energy Source Dance Association Scholarships



[The Entergy Source](#) is the nation's leading intensive for one on one dance training. Tuition Scholarships are awarded by Elite Dance Cup to deserving competitors of all ages and dance levels.

Scholarships to Title Winners



Title Winners are awarded Tuition Scholarships to [Spark Summer Dance Intensive](#) where you will take your dance to a new level with 4 fabulous days of fun & classes featuring some of the dance world's most electrifying teachers!



AWARDS

Awarded to Choreography Winners



CLI Studios works with dance studios around the world to better connect studio owners and teachers with LA's top choreographers through online workshops. CLI Studios offers new online dance classes, across the floor combinations and warm-up exercises every week taught by world-renowned choreographers like Allison Holker, Twitch, Kathryn McCormick, and Teddy Forance. CLI's goal is to provide low-cost continuing education and inspiration for a dance studio's entire staff, 52 weeks each year.

Awarded to the Elite Studio Winner



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