



**Taoli World Dance Competition**  
**Competition Rules**  
**2018 Regional**

## RULES

I. The panel of judges consists of renowned experts from China, U.S. and other countries. Under the supervision of the Planning Committee, the judges will evaluate the performances; the panel's decision shall serve as the determination of the competition.

### II. Competition Categories

#### A. Entry Level

- Professional (Contestants in the level practice dance for more than 20 hours per week)
- Ameture A (Contestants in the level practice dance for more than 10 hours per week)
- Ameture B (Contestants in the level practice dance for less than 10 hours per week)

#### B. Dance Categories:

- Chinese Folk Dance
- Chinese Classic Dance
- Chinese Classic Dance (Han/Tang Dynasty)
- Ballet
- Contemporary Dance
- Others (i.e. Modern Dance, International Ballroom Dance, Tap, Jazz)

#### C. Group Categories

- Solo:  
Soloists are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.
- Duet:



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Duet performers are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.

- Trio:  
Trio performances are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.
- Group:  
Group performances are allowed to compete in multiple dance categories, but may only register one performance in each category of dance.

### D. Time Limit

- Solo / Duet / Trio: Maximum of 3 minutes
- Small Group (4-10 dancers): Maximum of 5 minutes
- Large Group (11-24 dancers): Maximum of 6 minutes
- Super Group (25+ dancers): Maximum of 8 minutes
- A one (1) point deduction will be made for every 30 seconds the dance exceeds the time limit.

### E. Age Categories (as of 1/1/2018)

Amateur Level	Professional Level
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Young Children: 5-7</li> <li>● Children Group A: 8-10</li> <li>● Children Group B: 11-12</li> <li>● Teen Group A: 13-15</li> <li>● Teen Group B: 16-18</li> <li>● Young Adult A: 19-29</li> <li>● Young Adult B: 30-35</li> <li>● Adult Group A: 36-49</li> <li>● Adult Group B: 50-70</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Teen Group A: 13-15</li> <li>● Teen Group B: 16-18</li> <li>● Young Adult: 19-35</li> <li>● Adult: 36 and up</li> </ul>



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- For group performances, the average age of the entire group will be used to determine the age category.

### F. Awards

- By Categories and Groups based on judges' points:
  - Elite Platinum (95-100 points)
  - Platinum (85-94.99 points)
  - Gold - (84.99 points and below)
- Other awards:
  - Judges' Choice
  - Taoli Spirits (Best Teamwork, Best Techniques, Best Expression, etc.)
- Outstanding Choreographer Award: Platinum and Elite Platinum award winners' original choreography (indicated in contestants' entry forms)
- Award for Teaching Excellence: instructors with three or more Platinum and Elite Platinum award winners
- Any of the above mentioned awards can be unfulfilled
- The Planning Committee reserves the rights for final decisions

### G. Music

- Competitors are responsible for providing their own music
- Music file must be emailed to the organizer one month before the competition date. Late file submissions may not be accepted.
- Music file must be in ".mp3" format. Other format will not be accepted.
- Competitors are required to bring at least one backup USB drive on the day of the competition in the event of a technical malfunction.

### H. Additional Requirement

- Dances should be suitable for audience of any age
- Any promotion of religious beliefs and/or political propaganda is prohibited.



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## Competition Fees

- Solo: \$120 per dance
- Duet/Trio: \$80 per dancer per dance
- Small Group (4-10 dancers): \$50 per dancer per dance
- Large Group (11-24 dancers): \$40 per dancer per dance
- Super Group (25+ dancers): \$30 per dancer per dance