

The 2020 British Dance Council Inventive Dance Competitions

In association with Martin Bird & Brockbank Lane –

The British Dance Council are keen to continue promoting sequence dancing during this difficult time for the dancing community and are running a 3 branch inventive competition.

1. There will be a competition to find a new 16 bar Modern Sequence, a new 16 bar Latin Sequence and a special competition to find a new 16 bar Classical Sequence dance of a rhythm with the 5 foot positions (e.g. Waltz, Two Step, Gavotte), suitable for an Intermediate/Social level competitor. These competitions will be run following BDC rules.
2. The 1st place winner of each competition will be awarded a prize of £125.
3. The competitions will be judged by at least 5 BDC licensed adjudicators from video demonstrations of the dances. The adjudicators will not be made aware of the names of the inventors until after the adjudicating has finished.
4. You must submit a copy of the typed script for your dance as per a normal inventive after entry through the website: www.martinbird.net/inventive-comp.html. You will then receive an email confirmation within 24 hours with instructions on how to make payment and how to submit your scripts (Preferably in word format). The entry **deadline** for submission of scripts is 10pm on **Thursday 2nd July**.
5. **All dances** are to be demonstrated by independent professional dancers of our choosing, for the purpose of the competition. Videos are welcomed to aid with the interpretation of the script but are not a requirement of entry.
6. Upon entering the event, you agree that your dance will be performed, and **the recording of that performance may be viewed online** by the public in an online platform on or around the date of Sunday 2nd August 2020.
7. All inventors must hold a professional qualification in the ballroom branches as per the BDC rules and submit a script in the format as advised here: www.bblane.co.uk/Enter_an_Inventive.aspx (we retain the right to refuse entry to scripts that do not contain enough detail and your entry fee will be refunded; please note we have provided exemplars online)
8. It is a condition of entry that should your dance win, the copyright of the submitted dance and script will be transferred to the British Dance Council.
9. The winning inventor(s) must check their script with the script invigilator by phone and/or video chat.
10. Only 1 entry per household per section. Entry to this event costs £10 per dance. (Or £25 for all 3 sections) Payment instructions will be sent via email after you have entered. Entry fees are to be received by the closing date (2nd July 2020) otherwise your entry will not be included.

Inventors are welcome to suggest music for their entry, but if your music choice isn't available, a suitable alternative will be used.

The competitions will be run in July with the aim that the scripts of the winning dances will be published in August as per normal. This may be subject to change.

All event queries should be directed to the email address: inventivecomp@gmail.com