



SA STAGE DANCING SOCIETY INC

INTRODUCTION

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The Committee of the SA Stage Dancing Society Inc. is pleased to provide the following information and hopes it will encourage you and your dance students to become a part of the society and our annual eisteddfod. If you have any questions please contact us using the information on the previous page. We hope we can meet you in person and welcome you to the eisteddfod.

The SA Stage Dancing Society is a not for profit organisation formed over forty years ago for the purpose of promoting stage dance in South Australia. The Society is run by a committee of volunteers the Annual General Meeting is held around April each year.

The principal public activity of the Society is organising its annual eisteddfod which is currently held in September/October each year. The eisteddfod is a significant, well respected event, dedicated to dance and song and dance performances, running for approximately 12 hours per day with an average duration of 10 days. During this time audiences have the opportunity to view around 2000 dance performances including solos, duo/trio, troupe, championship and our classical scholarship.

More recently the eisteddfod has incorporated workshops and performances by the guest artists who have conducted the workshops. The increasingly popular workshops provide local dancers with a chance to learn from working dance performers brought to Adelaide by the society for the workshops. Workshops are conducted in a well equipped dance studio which is a brief walk from the theatre.

The current eisteddfod venue is Westminster School located in Marion South Australia. The theatre is large and well equipped, the school has plenty of parking on campus with additional street parking if required. Limited accommodation is available at the school during the eisteddfod or at nearby hotels and motels. Westminster provides food and beverage services for the eisteddfod meaning the eisteddfod is fully self contained. Information display screens in dressing rooms, introduced by the society and Westminster in 2010, provide up to date information on the progress of the eisteddfod so competitors can be ready to perform in plenty of time.

Eisteddfod entries close early in June entry forms and full details of the eisteddfod are available on the society website www.saeisteddfod.com.au. The web site provides a link to join our e-mail list, our latest news, results and photo galleries from previous eisteddfods.

On the web site are our membership form and, a complete list of the sections and age groups offered. Note that Solo's, Duo/Trio, Troupes and Scholarship/Championship entries require different entry forms.

A professional photographer and professional videographer are in attendance at the eisteddfod and are able to provide a DVD of your performances, on stage performance photographs or off stage posed photographs. No other photography is permitted in the theatre.

A competitor's age for competition purposes is their age on the 1st of January of the year the eisteddfod is held.

Entry to the eisteddfod is open to members or students of members, junior membership is available for a minimal fee allowing dancers who may not be taught by a member of the society to compete in their own right.

The Society promotes a fair, fun and supportive environment at the eisteddfod welcoming all competitors on equal terms. Although the majority of competitors live in and around Adelaide we also welcome dancers from regional areas and interstate.

We would be pleased to welcome you and your dancers to our coming eisteddfod either as a competing school or individuals competing in their own right.

In essence we provide dancers a chance to perform in a professional theatre at a well organised and well respected eisteddfod enabling competitors to build confidence, poise and stage craft and to meet other dancers in a friendly environment.