

Friday 11th October 2024

Qualifying Period

Candidates must qualify from grade examinations taken between July 1st 2023 and June 30th 2024.

Juvenile Scholarship

Juvenile Scholarship candidates will qualify from grade examinations 1 & 2. Candidate age on the day of the grade examination must be a minimum of 10 years and under 12 years.

Note: Winners of the Juvenile Scholarship title are no longer eligible to enter the Juvenile section but can enter the Junior Scholarship when they fulfil the selection criteria.

Junior Scholarship

Junior Scholarship candidates will qualify from grade examinations 1 to 4. Candidate age on the day of the grade examination must be a minimum of 12 years and under 14 years.

Note: Winners of the Junior Scholarship title are no longer eligible to enter the Junior section but can enter the Senior Scholarship when they fulfil the selection criteria.

Senior Scholarship

Senior Scholarship candidates will qualify from grade examinations 4 to 6. Candidate age on the day of the grade examination must be a minimum of 13 years and under 18 years.

Note: Senior Scholarship nominees are no longer eligible if they gain a professional Highland qualification prior to the Scholarship event or if they have won the Senior Scholarship.

Scholarship Sections

The overall Scholarship winner will be the candidate with the most total points from sections 1, 2 and 3.

Section 1 – Tribute to J.L. McKenzie

A Juvenile, Junior and Senior 4 step Tribute to J.L. McKenzie will be performed by each candidate in full Highland costume.

Juvenile Steps:	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	6 th
Junior Steps:	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	6 th
Senior Steps:	1 st	4 th	5 th	6 th

Section 2 – Written Paper

Separate Juvenile, Junior and Senior Highland technical papers will be issued, and candidates will have a maximum of one hour to complete the paper.

The Juvenile paper will cover work from Grade 1 and Grade 2.

The Junior paper will cover work from Grade 1 to Grade 4.

The Senior paper will cover work from Grade 1 to Grade 6.

Section 3 – Master Class

Separate Juvenile, Junior and Senior master classes, each one hour in length, will be held. A lecturer will conduct the class for the candidates, in front of a panel of three judges. Candidates should wear suitable practice clothes e.g., black leotard/t-shirts, shorts and knee-high socks.

Scholarship Winner

The overall scholarship winner will be the candidate with the most total points from sections 1, 2 and 3, which will be scrutineered using the RSOBHD system. In the event of a tie, RSOBHD rules will be applied. Awards will be presented to the overall top six candidates, covering sections 1, 2 and 3, in Juvenile, Junior and Senior. Scholarships cash prizes will be presented to the winning top three candidates.

The Adjudicators' decision is final.

******The choreography competition is now an optional part of the scholarship event.******

Scholarship Registration

Registration opens on **1st May 2024**. Parent/guardians of nominated candidates must register via: <https://www.sdtana.org/register> by **31st July 2024**. The entry fee is CAD\$20 per candidate.

A draw will take place to determine the order in which the candidates will dance.

OPTIONAL - Solo Choreography Competition

Solo choreography dance will be performed, with a maximum time limit of **one minute and 30 seconds** from the start of the music (not the start of the dance).

There will be an automatic disqualification for exceeding the maximum time permitted.

- *Music must be a Celtic or Scottish theme
- *The theme of the dance to be in keeping with the piece of music used
- *Costume to be in keeping with theme of the dance
- *Lyrics are permitted

Music must be submitted via this form: <https://forms.gle/wayxmMCCwHTyPaFB7> by **31st August 2024**.

A trophy will be presented to the winner in the Juvenile, Junior and Senior Choreography competition.

