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## Quarterly

### Newsletter

#### Registry Events

#### June—August 2022

Events canceled due to Covid -19 are shown in purple

- **Dance N Play**
- **D-TOWNSWING**  
Jun 17 - 19, 2022
- **JACK & JILL O'RAMA**
- **FINNFEST**
- **NSW WEST COAST SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**
- **SWINGAPALOOZA**  
Jun 17 - 19, 2022
- **LIBERTY SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS (NASDE)**  
Jun 23 - Jun 27, 2022
- **KOREA WESTIVAL**
- **BALTIC SWING**  
Jun 23 - 27, 2022
- **COLORADO COUNTRY CLASSIC**  
Jun 23 - 26, 2022
- **NEW ZEALAND OPEN SWING DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**
- **INDY DANCE EXPLOSION**  
Jun 23 - 26, 2022
- **NEVERLAND SWING**  
Jun 30 - Jul 4, 2022
- **SWING FICTION**
- **GPSDC ANNUAL JULY 4TH CONVENTION**  
Jun 30 - Jul 4, 2022
- **WILD WILD WESTIE**  
Jun 30 - Jul 4, 2022
- **AMERICANO DANCE CAMP**  
Jul 6 - 10, 2022
- **BIG APPLE COUNTRY DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
July 7 - 10, 2022
- **FLORIDA DANCE MAGIC**  
July 14 - 18, 2022
- **MIDWEST WESTIE FEST WORKSHOP STYLE FORMAT NON-WSDC COMPETITIONS**  
July 15 - 17, 2022

#### *President's Message*

Hello dancers and welcome back!!! While not everyone and every country or state is fully up and running, Events are starting to make their comeback, and we couldn't be more excited. However, we STILL want everyone to be safe – Covid is not going away, and we need to continue to be smart, safe and diligent about hosting Events, dances, classes, etc. It's been a long two years...

The WSDC recently announced that Estelle Bonnaire retired from the Board in April (we will miss her!), and that we welcomed Wee Tze Yi from Singapore as our new International Board member. Our International Advisory Committee, which held its first meeting in December 2021 has been diligently working on important topics and collaborating with the Board.

The Board is working on an update to its rules for 2023. While we are not announcing any major changes in this newsletter, we will share those with you in a future newsletter. In the meantime, we highlighted a few updates in this newsletter (e.g., new Trial Events for 2023, minimum of 60 unique competitors extended through 2023). In addition, while we miss her dearly, we wish to celebrate Skippy Blair's teachings, which live on through her students. We have recently posted thirteen articles from Skippy Blair to our website that we welcome you to review.

So, please take a moment to review our recent newsletter, and as always, feel free to contact us with any questions or concerns. Be safe, stay strong, and hope to see you on the dance floor soon!

#### *New Event Applications— Open for 2023*

We are now accepting applications for WSDC membership. Events being held in December of 2022 and into 2023 are eligible to apply. Applications must be made at least six (6) month prior to the date of your event. To apply please email Demery Leyva for an application at [wscnevents@worldsdc.com](mailto:wscnevents@worldsdc.com)

#### *International Advisory Committee (IAC) update*

Kudos to the IAC for tackling some tough issues for the Board! The IAC has made several recommendations to the Board on Registry Event Rules, and the Board is currently revising its rules to incorporate them for the 2023 year. The Board thanks the IAC for bringing their concerns and recommendations to the Board and for working collaboratively with them to fine-tune the requirements over the past several months.

Since the IAC has such a strong depth of international representation, the members have helped provide a much-needed understanding of the global needs. The Board appreciates their perspective on how the growth of Registry Events fits within its long term mission / vision, once the pandemic allows for the full reopening of the dance community.

Finally, Wee Tze Yi is moving from the IAC to the WSDC Board! While we know the IAC will miss his thoughtful contributions, their loss is our gain and the Board is thrilled that he is joining us!

## Required unique competitors for 2023

The Board is happy to announce that we will maintain the number of required unique competitors for WSDC Jack and Jills at 60, through the end of 2023. We hope this will provide our Event Directors some certainty as events return, and we thank the IAC for their guidance on extending this requirement.

## Judging All Star Jack and Jill

The WSDC Registry Rules state: "Self-judging contests are allowed only in the Champions division. Self-judging should occur only if there is an insufficient number of available judges." The Board has reviewed this rule for All Stars and has voted to keep the rule as-is. If an Event wishes to have an All Star self-judged contest, they may hold it as a fun contest, but it will not qualify as a WSDC Jack and Jill contest and would not be awarded points.

## WSDC Code of Conduct

We encourage our member events to provide and post their own Code of Conduct. We believe that the world of dance and swing is a welcoming and socially supportive environment and that instances of inappropriate behavior are rare. We all have a responsibility to build safety into events and to contribute to the well-being of the dance community.

Click on this link or visit the Code of Conduct section under Rules and Info on our website.

<https://www.worldsdc.com/newsletter/>

## A collection of articles by Skippy Blair - now on our website!

The WSDC Board is thrilled that 13 articles written by our beloved co-founder, Skippy Blair, are now available to the public on our website! We have been highlighting them individually via Facebook, but you can read all of them by going to <https://www.worldsdc.com/skippy-blair-articles/> For a brief snippet, here's a line from her article on Pulsing: "Pulsing seems to be the one element that could take everyone's level of performance up a notch. In order to add Pulsing to your dance, it is important to know what pulsing is NOT - as well as what it is."

## Event Listings

Just a reminder that every year as an event director, you need to submit event details for your weekend dance event to be listed on our calendar. If you don't fill out this form, your event is not listed. Here is the link: <https://www.worldsdc.com/submit-event-updates/>

Typically your event is posted 24-48 hours after submission.

### Our Mission:

Guided by the belief that every life is enriched by dance, we aspire to foster swing dancing around the world.

### Our Vision:

WSDC is a non-profit organization focused on promoting and growing swing dance, by

- Honoring the past, supporting the present, and developing the future
- Providing resources to expand, educate, and connect the swing dance community
- Being a governing body of WSDC Registry Events

- **PALM SPRINGS SUMMER DANCE CAMP CLASSIC**

- **CHICAGOLAND COUNTRY & SWING DANCE FESTIVAL**  
August 19 - 21, 2022

- **SUMMER HUMMER (NASDE)**

- **SHAKEDOWN SWING**

#### How to contact us:

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#### Upcoming Registry Events

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- **PORTLAND DANCE FESTIVAL**
- **SAINT PETERSBURG WCS NIGHTS**  
July 21 - 24, 2022
- **TORONTO OPEN SWING & HUSTLE CHAMPIONSHIPS**
- **FLORIDA DANCE MAGIC**  
July 14 - 18, 2022
- **NEW ORLEANS DANCE MARDI GRAS**  
July 21 - 24, 2022
- **SEA SUN & SWING CAMP**
- **SWINGTIME**  
July 22 - 24, 2022
- **ODYSSEY WEST COAST SWING**
- **ARIZONA DANCE CLASSIC**  
August 4 - 7, 2022
- **ROCK THE BARN**  
August 4 - 7, 2022
- **SWINGTACULAR: THE GALACTIC OPEN**  
August 4 - 7, 2022
- **NEW ENGLAND DANCE FESTIVAL**  
August 4 - 7, 2022
- **RIGA SUMMER SWING**
- **GERMAN OPEN WCS CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
August 4 - 7, 2022
- **SWING FLING**  
August 11 - 15, 2022
- **LONESTAR INVITATIONAL**  
August 11 - 14, 2022
- **KAZAN EL FEST**  
August 11 - 14, 2022
- **UPTOWN SWING**  
August 12 - 15, 2022

