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# Graceful - Solo - Duo Information

The club encourages participation in the Solo Competition, however the teamwork is to be the first priority.

A competitor is not able to compete in the solo competitions unless they are a participant in a **team.** (seniors may be an exception and should enquire with Club Executive in the first instance).

#### **OPEN SECTION**

- For a soloist to compete in the open section, the soloist is required to have completed with a pass, the appropriate NTCA skills level.
- The age skills requirements for each section is listed below.

## **Skills Requirement:**

Sub-Junior: Age 8 (Test 1) Age 9 (Test 2) Age 10 (Test 3)

Juniors: Age 11 (Test 3) Age 12-13 (Grade 1)

Intermediate: Age 14-15 (Grade 2) Age 16 (Grade 3)

Seniors: Age 16 (Grade 3) Age 17 upwards (Grade 4)

#### **CLOSED SECTION**

- If the soloist does not hold the skills requirement for that section age, they will not be eligible to place in the competition. They can still perform, get a critic sheet and have exposure to stage time and gain experience without the pressure.
- The full solo cost is still involved.

## THE CLUB:

- Our club offers all participants of the correct age the opportunity to participate in the solo competition.
- The club will not be responsible for the organization of its solo competitors.
- The club will however support its solo competitors. Also as the club have a large membership base we acknowledge that we will have many participants wanting to do solos
   we cannot accommodate everyone, so will work on a first in basis.
- Some participants may already have their own regular coach.
- If you are wanting to be introduced to a solo coach please enquire with the Club executive.

#### FOR THE COACH:

- Coaches take on solos in their own time and is not to impede on team training and the venue fee and coach fee is to be paid by the soloist.
- We recommend the coach train at the one venue for your soloists and a timetable to have them train together, or one after the other.
- When teaching the routine you may need an hour for the first few weeks but once it is done you should not need any longer than 45 minutes for each participant.
- Use your time wisely and without distractions.
- Parents can share the cost of training venue.
- The coach has the right to refuse a participant and should choose participants that have a pre-requisite to compete, i.e. strength, skill level, flexibility and commitment.
- The coach is responsible for completing the entry form and lighting sheets and the entry form is to be submitted to the nominated club person by the due date.
- The coach is responsible for ensuring costume, hair and makeup are arranged with or by the parent but with your assistance.

#### **FOR PARENTS**

- It is the responsibility of the coach/parent to organise training venue and payment of hire. The club will not be responsible for the venue hire.
- You can book the venue in the name of TECCI (for insurance purposes) but ensure that the account is marked to your attention and paid promptly. The club can provide a copy of the insurance policy for the venue booking.
- Parents may approach a coach but the coach has the right to say no or perhaps offer an alternate coach (TECCI do not stop participants going to a coach at another club if they are not able to have a coach from our club).
- Completion of entry form is the responsibility of the coach/parent and for the coach to ensure that the entry form is signed and money is submitted by the due date.
- Parents should be advised of cost right from the outset and prior to the training commencing, ie coaching fee, training fee (venue), competition entry fees, costume expenses.
- It should be the responsibility of parent to pay for the costume including sourcing/hire/make the costume and the coach should not be expected to do this.
- It is the responsibility of the parent to arrange hair/makeup, tanning in conjunction with the advice of the coach. Coaches should not be expected to do hair, but should do makeup.

## **TECCI Solo Expression of Interest**

Name:	Age:	Section:	
Cal Skill Level Achieved:		Preferred Coach:	
Section: (please circle) Graceful Solo	Solo	Duo (Partner:	)
Prior Dance Experience:			
Days and Times Available:			
Parent Name:	Mobile:	Signature:	