



NASSPDA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

Please note that any and all information you share with us is CONFIDENTIAL. It will be accessible ONLY to the NASSPDA Scholarship Committee. Your contact information will never be shared with anyone regarding this application, and your name will never be shared unless you specifically give us permission on your application to do so.

The **NASSPDA Scholarship Fund** had been established at the end of 2012 to provide funding for dancers who wish to compete in the 2013 North American Championship, expanded in 2014 to include IFSSDA's World Championship, when it was held in North America, and as of 2018 **is open to all dancers (members and non-members), who wish to compete in any NASSPDA sanctioned event** (see <http://nasspda.org/calendar/>) and lack the necessary funds, especially with a focus on those who are new to the competitive scene.

Prior to each calendar year, NASSPDA's Board will decide based on available funds how many scholarships will be available and in what amounts. This information will be published each year on NASSPDA's website, in its monthly eNewsletter and on its Facebook Page. Each awarded scholarship includes a free membership to NASSPDA either for the year in which the applicant has applied or for the following year.

Qualifications for the Scholarship

1. Newcomers to competing are particularly encouraged to apply.
2. Former applicant may apply again, even if awarded in the past, but priority will be given to those applicants who apply for the first time.
3. Applicant shall be at least the minimum age required by the particular NASSPDA sanctioned event.
4. Applicant shall make a case for need of financial assistance, in order to attend competition.

Application Rules

Application shall be submitted to NASSPDA (e-mailed or postmarked) no later than ninety (90) days prior to the NASSPDA sanctioned event to be attended. Late applications may be accepted under certain circumstances. Instructions for submitting this application are at the bottom of this form. Once approved, scholarship funds will be distributed after the applicant has completed participation in the chosen event.

It is important that all contact information on this application be accurate and up to date so that the NASSPDA Scholarship Approval Committee may contact the applicant at any time during the selection process. Any changes should be reported immediately to the Chair of NASSPDA's Scholarship Committee, NASSPDA's President.

Applicant Information:

Name: _____

Street
Address: _____

City: _____ Province/State: _____

Postal/Zip Code: _____

Country: _____ Phone Number: _____

E-mail
address: _____

Are you an active NASSPDA member? yes no (*not a requirement*)

If yes, for how long? _____

Which NASSPDA sanctioned event will you attend?

In which division/category will you compete?

Have you ever competed in a NASSPDA sanctioned event in the past? yes no

If yes, when and where?

Please indicate by your initials: If awarded a scholarship, I give permission to use my
____ first name ____ last name ____ neither

in public announcements, printed materials and on the NASSPDA website.

(This will not be used as part of the scholarship selection process.)

By my signature below, I affirm that all information provided above is accurate and that I am of qualifying age.

Signature: _____ Date:

Applicant Statement

In the space below, please write a statement explaining why you wish to receive this scholarship. Be sure to tell us not only why you need financial assistance, but also about your interest in partner dancing and why you wish to compete in this event. Also please tell us about your past competition experience, if any, and future plans.

Please e-mail this application to info@nasspda.org with the subject line 'Scholarship Application' or snail mail to NASSPDA Scholarship c/o Benjamin Soencksen, 196 Pinehurst Avenue, Apt. 2J, New York, NY 10033.