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Brigham Young University

Annual Dance Scholarship Award since 2007

Dancing With Our Local Schools Program

Fall and Spring semester grants to elementary schools for onsite dance lessons incorporating Spring and Fall Showcases.



Fordney Foundation Junior and Youth Dancesport Series

Many ballroom dance competitions across the United States are part of this series and additional comps will be added each year. National Dance Council of America age groups (Pre-Teen I, Pre-Teen II, Junior 1, Junior 2, Youth) compete to accumulate points. This series begins at the Ohio Star Ball and ends at the Hollywood Dancesport Championships each November. An East Coast versus West Coast team match is held at the Ohio Star Ball. For information, registration, ranking results, and prize money, visit our website and click on YOUTH SERIES for a drop down menu that links to Information and Ranking Results on the leaderboard.



Founder and director:

Marilyn Takahashi Fordney.

Marilyn began taking ballet and tap at the age of 12. She tried out at auditions and joined a summer dance troupe. Then her career headed towards the medical assisting field where she worked, became an instructor, and subsequently wrote textbooks. The books won 4 national awards and train people for medical insurance billing and coding and administrative medical assisting jobs. In 2002, she began to dance competitively in International and American pro-am ballroom dances. In May 2002, she established the Fordney Foundation for DanceSport for amateur youths, ages 6 to 25.

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FORDNEY FOUNDATION FOR DANCESPORT



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Supporting Youth DanceSport
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OBJECTIVE

Fordney Foundation for DANCESPORT helps children and young adults to realize their dreams of artistically expressing themselves through ballroom dance.

It was established to promote ballroom dance to individuals of all ethnic groups without regard to religion or creed that are dependents 6 to 25 years of age attending schools who qualify as amateur dance talent.

PURPOSE

Discover and train talented individuals with the ultimate goal of having them establish a professional career in dance or dance-related profession.

The Foundation is dedicated to developing the understanding of dancesport in the community and encouraging young talent in the United States.



ABOUT DANCESPORT



Perhaps you have seen ballroom dancing on television or as part of a movie film story. It has evolved into a sport which is recognized around the world as DANCESPORT.

Rigorous training is required to achieve precise steps and form. Individuals pursuing this art form must achieve flexibility, agility, and understand and learn musical rhythm.

DANCESPORT BENEFITS

Ballroom dancing is beautiful, graceful. Elegant, and sophisticated. It requires top physical conditioning. It improves communication skills, social interaction, coordination, creativity, spatial ability, stamina and endurance, and positive psychological benefits by elevating self-esteem.

FINANCIAL ASPECTS

When watching amateur youth / junior dance competitions you will become aware that competitors must dress in beautiful costumes, have impeccable grooming, and straight posture. Private and group dance lessons, coaching sessions, and practice sessions are required as the skill to dance as a unit becomes perfected. Transportation to and from the competitions, entry fees, hotel lodging, and meals may also be required. It takes a great deal of time and financial resources to become a top contender. By nurturing youth dancesport, the Foundation can help educate the public in the United States about this activity as a sport.



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TAX – DEDUCTIBLE CONTRIBUTIONS

Please support the dreams of many young people who want to dance and compete, but may not be able to afford it. Make possible thousands of school children to experience the feeling of dance and learn fundamental etiquette rules. You will make a unique and valuable difference in the lives of children. Send your tax-deductible donation to:

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WEBSITE

Visit our website every week to read our interesting and educational blogs so you can learn more about dance, its history, handy hints to help you with dance, motivational thought for the week, and so on.

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