

Highland Echoes Dance Company Application 2022

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Applications are now being accepted for dancers to join the Highland Echoes Dance Company to perform the Highland Echoes show in front of a live audience. The show written by Patrick Mangan from Riverdance and Celtic Album of The Year winner, Jennifer Licko is the story of the dispersed Scottish people told through live music and dance in a theatrical production.

Highland Echoes is seeking talented volunteer dancers to dance in the show which will premier in the summer of 2022 in Boone North Carolina.

Since its inception in 2018, the mission of Highland Echoes is to reach new audiences with Scottish Cultural arts and educational programming. As we look ahead to the 2022 season, we are excited to welcome applications from dancers who envision a future in performance opportunities and agree to be an ambassador for the Highland Echoes Show.

The Highland Echoes Show will take place from July 5 - 17th 2022. Successful applicants must arrive in Boone no later than Monday June 27th 2022 for rehearsals prior to performances commencing. Special consideration will be given to dancers who are competing in the USIR or Canadians to accommodate their desire both compete and dance in the show. **However, priority will be given to those who can perform in the whole show.**

Who Should Apply

The 2022 Dance Team will comprise of dancers from any country.

Applicants must be 18 years or over as of June 28 2022 and must be of Premier standard or equivalent if from a country without a RSOBHD sanctioned board.

****Dancers who were accepted via the promo video audition need only to submit the 6 step Fling portion of the audition for verification purposes.**

What Would Be Required

Dancers must maintain a level of fitness to enable them to perform to a high standard.

All company dancers are responsible for all travel costs both to and from Boone, North Carolina.

Accommodation and a meal stipend will be provided for the duration of the show and rehearsals.

Dancers agree to participate in online dance company meetings / rehearsals.

How to Apply

All applications and audition videos should be submitted via www.highlandechoes.com/dance by **January 31, 2022**.

Audition Dance Requirements

1. 6 Step Fling (1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, ST 15th, ST 16th with Finish Method 2)
 - Must dance the first 4 steps from the 2022 RSOBHD Highland Fling set steps and conclude with the ST Quicktime from the 2022 RSOBHD set steps

2. Choreography
 - Minimum 1 minute, Maximum 2 minutes in length
 - If using a pre-recording and there is more than one person in your choreography please indicate which one you are in the submission form notes

3. The Following Individual Steps
 - Hornpipe: Diagonal Travel
 - Hornpipe: Low Cutting (using any break that uses shuffles)
 - Village Maid: Second Russian Bouree
 - Jig: Diagonal Roll

Audition Video Requirements

- Dancers should make sure their entire body is visible in the camera shot at all times
- Dancers may wear practice clothing for their audition. Please nothing too baggy that hinders your ability to dance or our ability to see your technique.
- Choreography video may be pre-recorded within the last 6 months
- Upload your audition video to YouTube as an unlisted video
- Name your video with the following structure
Your Initials, Your birth Year, Your Country
Example: Sally Smith from Canada Born in 2001
SS2001CAN
- Submit the link to your uploaded video in the form found at www.highlandechoes.com/dance

Time commitment and travel logistics

The closest major airports to Boone are located in Charlotte and Greensboro, NC. We anticipate being able to provide scheduled shuttles to Boone from those airports.

Time Commitment Overview: Group A, Group B or Whole Show

- Group A dates: June 27th - July 10th
- Group B dates: July 10th - Jul 17th
- Whole Show dates: June 27th - July 17th

Whole Show: Arrive in Boone June 27th. Rehearsals start the morning of June 28th. Last performance July 17th. Depart Boone July 18th.

Group A: Arrive in Boone June 27th. Rehearsals start the morning of June 28th. Last performance July 10th. Depart Boone July 11th.

Group B: Arrive in Boone July 10th. Afternoon rehearsal and show attendance on July 10th. Rehearsal July 11th. Last Performance July 17th. Depart Boone July 18th.

If you have any questions at all – relating to required performance standard, commitment required etc. - please contact Alexa Smith at Fling Together Collective. flingtogether@gmail.com