



# Welcome to America On Stage!

## Director's Packet

### Kick Off Classic Arizona Clogging Championships

#### **Congratulations! You are registered with America On Stage!**

We're excited for the Kick Off Classic Arizona Clogging Championships!

This packet contains all the information you need to compete at America On Stage and have a great time.

Take note of the deadlines of registration, our updated schedule, and how we do our awards below.

If you have any questions, please let us know and we'll see you on stage!

Veva Ahlstrom, Greg Tucker and all America On Stage Staff

#### **REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION & DEADLINES**

You can check your registration online at [www.americaonstage.org](http://www.americaonstage.org).

Click on "Online Registration" and then "Registration Summary" to see all your entries. Please double check it to guarantee all your dancers are registered correctly. Take note of the following deadlines:

#### January 6, 2025

**Mid-Registration Deadline.** Registration is still available online at higher fees and fees will increase again after this date until Online Registration closes at the date below.

**Registration changes** are still made online until the date below.

#### January 15, 2025

**All Online Registration** closes on this date. After this date, there is no more registration taken online.

You can Email us at [competitions@americaonstage.org](mailto:competitions@americaonstage.org) to see if we have any more space at add registration.

**All Registration Changes online** are no longer allowed after this date.

Any and all registration changes, additions (if able), or cancellations need to be made by Emailing [competitions@americaonstage.org](mailto:competitions@americaonstage.org).

#### January 19, 2025

**Final Program** Posted Online on this date. Check the competition page after 3:00 pm to see all the programs!

No more dance solos, duos/trios registration is taken after this date due to awards not being able to be ordered in time.

# Updated Schedule

Listed below is our updated schedule based upon all registration received.  
Please let your dancers know the updated times below.

We will post the Final Programs online 15 days prior to the event online.

At that time, you can see the following programs:

- **Final Program** (entire schedule with times listed)
- **Director's Personal Program** (your personal schedule)
- **Dancer's Personal Program** (a schedule listed by dancers of all their personal times)  
7:30 am Doors Open

8:30 am -All Levels Individuals and Duets

10:30 am -All Teams

11:30 pm -All Awards

2:00 pm & 7:00 pm - Dutton Show!

## SEE THE DUTTONS!

**We are excited to offer you a special opportunity to see the World Famous DUTTONS!**

We are grateful to be competing at the Dutton Theater and after we compete, the Duttons will perform their show and we are excited you to see the show!

They are an amazing variety, bluegrass and comedy show that will be one of your all-time favorite shows ever. They have been featured on world wide TV, have their own show in Branson, Missouri, and you and your dancers and parents are going to love it.

And because you are competing at the America On Stage Arizona Dance Championships being held at the Dutton Theater in Phoenix, AZ we are excited to offer you and all your dancers and chaperones enormous discounted tickets! Just \$13 for dancers and \$20 for kids.

There are two shows you can attend. One at 2:00 pm right after competition and one at 7:00 pm.

**If you would like to see the show, simply contact the Duttons at  
417-593-1692.**

Ask for Judith, and let them know you are part of the America On Stage Dance competition in Arizona and want to purchase discounted tickets for the show.

**Contact us with any questions**

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Website: **www.americaonstage.org**

America On Stage HQ Phone: **801-224-8334**

# Payment & Studio Grants

## *Payment and Studio Grants*

We are excited our Studio Grant program has worked so well. Each qualifying studio can receive up to 10 % of their registration at each event returned to them as a studio grant. It's our way of assisting studios to grow and thanking you for attending! Remember! Studios must be FULLY paid as of the day of the event to qualify for a grant. Check online to see your current balance, correct any incorrect charges, and pay any owed registration!

*CD players may not be at every event, please plan accordingly by uploading your music and bring a back up digitally.*

## Once you are at the event

### *Director's Packets*

Please pick up your Director's Packet at the Registration table once at the event. The packet will have a personalized program with the times for only your routines, a full program, a director's badge along with all your information.

### *Numbers*

We will not have you wear a number for any Teams, Dance Individuals, or Duets. Only Clogging Individuals, Clog Short Duets, and Clog A cap Duets will need to wear a number. A new Digital sign will display your number on stage!

### *America On Stage Online*

Use the America On Stage website to access personal programs, dancer's personal programs, and all results and more. See below for more information.

**[www.americaonstage.org](http://www.americaonstage.org)**

### *BEAUTIFUL VENUE*

We are excited to return to the beautiful Dutton Theater in Mesa! We will dance in the auditorium with a beautiful stage. There will be a dressing room for women and one for men. We have no admission and encourage everyone to come cheer and have a great time! It's going to be great.

### **Dutton Family Theater**

**7420 E Main St, Mesa, AZ 85207**

### *No Admission*

We offer no admission charge for anyone to enter. Bring everyone!

## **When are award ceremonies?**

All Power Tap/Clogging age division awards will be posted

All Power Tap/Clogging OVERALL awards will be announced when all Power Tap/Clogging events are competed.

## **Dance Off**

Clogging Pro Dance off will happen as part of the pro age divisions. We will let you know about it when you are there. As most age divisions are small, we will have the dance off as part of the age division.

## **Overall awards**

We will announce Overall team awards when all teams are done.

## **Director's Corner Online**

We've created a special place online called our Director's Corner. It's just for you and contains all your studio grants, all your registration and instructions on everything you need for a great competition as well as place to upload all your music. It will update with more information as we get closer and you can see all things you need as they are updated. Final Programs, Director's Programs, Music Uploading, and competition information along with the dates of when they will be updated are there as well. And you can get to it by clicking on Director's Corner at [www.americaonstage.org](http://www.americaonstage.org)

## **Awards!**

Please take a minute to review how we do our awards in America On Stage including our Age Division, Overalls and Queens so you are familiar with how it all works! Let us know of any questions.

## **Judges Choice team award**

See the newest award in team categories. In addition to Age Division and Overall awards, judges will be able to nominate up to 5 teams in each level for their pick as the Judges Choice. We will announce all teams who are nominated and the team with the most nominations will win the Judges Choice award that day! See the awards section in this packet for more information.

...and so much more to come!

## **Questions?**

Please refer your students to the website [www.americaonstage.org](http://www.americaonstage.org).

E-mail or call us for answers to your questions. [competitions@americaonstage.org](mailto:competitions@americaonstage.org) or (801) 224-8334.

- Video Taping is allowed in the back of the facility.  
Competition directors assume no responsibility for lost or stolen items.



# AMERICA ON STAGE AWARDS

America On Stage events feature an award for every dancer and every team!

At America on Stage, we believe every dancer, team, and director should be highly recognized for their excellent achievement. Accordingly, we offer the best awards program anywhere!

- Every dancer receives a Competition Medallion to display all their results
- Every dancer receives an Award Pin for their medallion for every event competed (including team).
- Every studio receives one large trophy for their team awards.
- Every studio receives a team plate for their large studio trophy for every team event competed.
- At a special Awards Ceremony at the end of every level (immediately after all scores have been tallied – check the program) we present overall awards!

Here's how it works:

After you **compete**, age division results are **posted** on the America On Stage app and on the posting wall!

In lower levels, all receive either a 1<sup>st</sup> place High Gold, a 1<sup>st</sup> place, a 2<sup>nd</sup> place or a 3<sup>rd</sup> place

In the highest levels we award One 1<sup>st</sup>, One 2<sup>nd</sup>, One 3<sup>rd</sup>, One 4<sup>th</sup>, and one 5<sup>th</sup> place

## AGE DIVISION AWARDS

All Age Division awards are posted online at America On Stage's app under "Competition Live" and on posting wall.

<b><i>Clogging Novice, Beginning, Intermediate, Advanced</i></b>	<b><i>Dance Novice, Beginning Intermediate Clogging Championship</i></b>	<b><i>Dance Advanced Clogging Professional</i></b>
<p><u>MULTIPLE AWARDS</u> We award all dancers based on their score!</p> <p>All Dancers awarded either a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> based upon their score.</p>	<p><u>MULTIPLE AWARDS HIGH GOLD</u> We award all dancers based on their score!</p> <p>All Dancers awarded either a 1<sup>st</sup> HIGH GOLD, 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> based upon their score.</p> <p>All Dancers who score over 98% of their possible score receive 1<sup>st</sup> place HIGH GOLD</p>	<p><u>SINGLE AWARDS</u> One 1<sup>st</sup>, one 2<sup>nd</sup>, One 3<sup>rd</sup>, One 4<sup>th</sup>, One 5<sup>th</sup> and High Gold Ratings</p> <p>Highest Score is awarded 1<sup>st</sup>, next highest 2<sup>nd</sup>, and next highest 3<sup>rd</sup> etc...</p> <p>All Dancers who score over 98% of their possible score receive HIGH GOLD</p>

All winners receive an awards pin at the awards table for each event competed and should pick up their pins themselves. Pins are awarded for Individual, Duet, Trio, and team categories and are picked up by EACH member of the team for EACH dance competed at the awards table.

A special place plate to go on their Large Studio Trophy is given to the director at the awards table at the end of the day with their score sheets at the awards table.

## HIGH GOLD AWARD

The HIGH GOLD award also allows for each dancer who might be dancing alone in their age division to compete and see if they can score high enough to earn a High Gold. See following program pages for more info.



# AMERICA ON STAGE AWARDS

## DANCE QUEEN AWARDS

All Queen awards are announced from the stage! All Queen winners are awarded a large trophy. All 1<sup>st</sup> place Queen winners also receive a sash and tiara. At large events, we will post the results online and you can pick up your awards early at the awards table.

*All Standard solo and duet results are posted on the results wall (not announced).*

*All standard winners receive a trophy at the awards table.*

## OVERALL AWARDS CEREMONIES!

### SUPERSTAR AWARDS

There are TWO SUPERStar awards. Every time you compete, you earn points which are tallied today and all year long.

#### **TODAY'S SUPERStars**

The dancers with the most individual points at TODAY'S EVENT in each level are called up on stage and awarded as TODAY'S SUPERStars.

#### **OVERALL'S SUPERStars**

At Nationals at Lagoon, we will award the highest scoring dancer with the most combined points as the Overall Individual, Duet, and Team SUPERStars! See the rankings online!

### MASTER SOLOIST

In Clogging's All-Around Solos, a person winning 1<sup>st</sup> places in all 5 solos in 1 level are awarded Master Soloist.

## NATIONALS HOT TICKET INVITATIONS & 1<sup>ST</sup> PLACE WINNING TEAMS

Teams who win 1<sup>st</sup> place will be recognized during the Overall Awards ceremony.

All Dance teams are invited to Nationals. All Clogging 1<sup>st</sup> place teams will receive a Hot Ticket invitation to compete at Nationals at Lagoon in their awards packet!

### JUDGES CHOICE TEAM

Each judge can award up to 5 team routines in each level as their favorite team routine of the day.

We will announce all teams who receive Judges Choice nominations. The team with the most nominations will be awarded as the Judges Choice in that level.

### OVERALL TEAMS

In every level, the top 5 highest scoring teams are awarded Overall Team Trophies!

In our Advanced Dance categories, we also award the Overall Jazz, Hip Hop, Contemporary & Lyrical Team!

### OVERALL STUDIOS

In every level, the top 3 studios with the most wins are awarded Overall Studio Trophies!



# ***AMERICA ON STAGE ONLINE!***

**Go to [americaonstage.org](http://americaonstage.org) on your phone!**

**All your RESULTS and PROGRAMS  
online DURING the competition on the  
America On Stage website.**

Skip the lines to see your results on the awards posting wall.  
See your results anywhere, anytime, with any smartphone, tablet or laptop!

***All New Personal Programs available online!***

See results listed by dancer, director and category.  
30 minutes after each division's completion, results are listed online.  
Get the programs online, and all SUPERStars who won today!

# **AMERICA ON STAGE ONLINE!**



# AMERICA ON STAGE HIGH GOLD AWARDS EXPLANATION

## Dance Novice, Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced Levels Clogging Championship and Pro Levels

Our newest awards are called HIGH GOLD! Here's how they work

### **LEVELS OFFERED:**

HIGH GOLD is offered in all levels of Dance and Clogging Championship and Clogging Pro. All other levels still offer multiple awards as has been done before (All Dancers receive either a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place based upon their score.)

**Dance Novice, Beginning, Intermediate and Clogging Championship** are awarded with BOTH awards below:

**MULTIPLE AWARDS** – All Dancers receive either a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place based upon their score.

**HIGH GOLD** – Each dancer that scores 98% or higher is also awarded a HIGH GOLD

If you are by yourself, or competing against others, you strive not only to get a first place score (29.2 or higher), but you also dance to score a first place HIGH GOLD (29.5 or higher).

*It is possible to see an age division similar to one below in Dance Intermediate or Clogging Champ*

Dancer A	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	HIGH GOLD	Dancer A has scored a 29.6
Dancer B	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	HIGH GOLD	Dancer B has scored a 29.55
Dancer C	1 <sup>st</sup> Place		Dancer C has scored a 29.1
Dancer D	1 <sup>st</sup> Place		Dancer D has scored a 28.8
Dancer E	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place		Dancer E has scored a 28.4
Dancer F	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place		

**Dance Advanced and Clogging Pro** are awarded with BOTH awards below:

**SINGLE AWARDS** – One 1<sup>st</sup>, one 2<sup>nd</sup>, one 3<sup>rd</sup>, one 4<sup>th</sup>, one 5<sup>th</sup>. Dancers all compete against each other.

**HIGH GOLD** - Each dancer that scores 98% or higher is also awarded a HIGH GOLD

If you are by yourself, or competing against others, you strive not only to get a first place score (29.2 or higher), but you also dance to score a first place HIGH GOLD (29.5 or higher).

*It is possible to see an age division similar to one below*

Dancer A	1 <sup>st</sup> Place	HIGH GOLD	Dancer A has scored a 29.9
Dancer B	2 <sup>nd</sup> Place	HIGH GOLD	Dancer B has scored a 29.8
Dancer C	3 <sup>rd</sup> Place	HIGH GOLD	Dancer C has scored a 29.7
Dancer D	4 <sup>th</sup> Place		Dancer D has scored a 29.4
Dancer E	5 <sup>th</sup> Place		Dancer E has scored a 29.3

We hope this new awards system rewards all those who work so hard, dance so well, and strive so much to earn the very best awards possible.

We look forward to your comments on this new awards system and can't wait to see you at America On Stage where the Magic of a Win takes Center Stage!



# Welcome to America On Stage!

## What makes America On Stage events so much fun for Directors and Students?

**FAST** – We run our event very quickly and efficiently. No waiting around. We post a detailed schedule online with dances down to the minute. Show up about one hour before your scheduled time and dance on stage. We post our awards as soon as they are ready and announce our overall awards after each level so you need not spend an entire day at an event! It's incredible popular and fun to participate with very little waiting around!

**FUN** – We include fun activities in each event. As we can be often a few minutes ahead, we play games with the audiences, dance group numbers such as the Cha Cha Slide and hold our events at such fun events as Lagoon Amusement park and Knott's Berry Farm where you can play after competing! Come see the fun at America On Stage!

**FAIR** – We do all we can to get well qualified and impartial judges. All our staff are trained and work hard to ensure each team is treated fairly and each team has all the opportunities to shine on stage!

**FRIENDLY** – With a staff trained to help, and our team designed to assist in whatever way we can, we strive to make your competition experience amazing. Ask any staff person for help and we will do all we can to make your wishes happen.

**AWARDS** – With an awards system designed to be second to none, we boast some of the most fun awards ever! Every dancer is awarded for every event they dance. All dancers in our lower level receive either a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> place for EVERY EVENT the dance. We award Overall Teams in EVERY LEVEL and award studios that win the most in EVERY LEVEL as well. At our State Championships, we award the highest scoring team, soloist, duo, and trio in each category the titles of State Champions. At Nationals at Lagoon (the WORLD'S LARDEST Dance competition), we award every dancer with an award for each event danced, Overall Teams, Overall Studios, Directors of the Year, and All-Americans, and MVP National Champions. This is something you just don't want to miss!

**STUDIO GRANTS** – As directors we work so hard to get our teams ready and assist them at competition. Now we reward you financially as well. Qualifying directors receive up to 10% of their registration returned to you as a Studio Grant for use at the director's discretion. We hope to thank you for all your support and assist you in helping your studio to grow!

**LOCAL** – We run events close to you! Located throughout the intermountain west, we run events that you can attend closely to you that require minimal travel. We hope this allows your competition experience to be as exciting as possible without taxing your time or finances!

**OVERALL AWARDS** – We offer OVERALL AWARDS in EACH LEVEL! The highest scoring teams and studios with the most wins in each level are awarded at each level's conclusion!

**MANY LEVELS** – We offer many different levels so you compete against others in your level, not against others dancing for many more year. It helps you dance confidently and prepare for the next level.

**INEXPENSIVE** – With costs escalating on everything now-a-days, we offer a great inexpensive categories to compete in. Come dance at America On Stage and save some money too!

**BE WITH THE BEST** – Several of the very best dancers around compete with America On Stage. Come be one of them and shine on stage. Experience how it feels when the MAGIC OF A WIN takes CENTER STAGE and makes your dancers shine!

**OUR STAFF** - We Love what we are doing and have the most wonderful team of promoters and staff. It's the reason we are who we are. See you soon and keep on dancing!