SANREMO DANCE FESTIVAL 1-2-3 MAY 2026 CSEN INTERNATIONAL DANCE COMPETITION

COMPETITION RULES

SECTIONS

Classical dance
Classical dance HIGHT COMPETITION

Festival

Modern Dance
Modern dance HIGHT COMPETITION

Contemporary dance
Contemporary dance HIGHT COMPETITION

Choreographic composition

Open styles

CATEGORIES:

BABY 6 - 12 years old JUNIOR 13 - 15 years old SENIOR 16 years old and above

To determinate the category to which a group/duo belongs, it is necessary to sum all the dancers ages on the date May, 1 2026 and then divide it by the numbers of dancers (mathematical average)

SDF HIGHT COMPETITION

In classical dance, modern dance and contemporary dance we have "HIGHT COMPETITION" sector, which is reserved for schools, academies and lyrical institutions offering academic or preprofessional level, with students who train daily or several hours weekly.

This new section allows participants to compete in an environment more aligned with their training backgrounds.

You can see at the registration fees and prices in the table below.

The choice to register in the HIGHT COMPETITION sector rather than the regular SDF is at the discretion of the choreographer/school director and does not prevent the same school from registering some choreographies in the HIGHT COMPETITION sector and others in the "regular" SDF sections if both training path exist are within the institution.

Props or scenery may be used, but must be easy and quick to install and remove (maximum 10 seconds). High-heeled shoes are allowed only if they are professional and appropriate for the dance floor. Liquids or substances that may damage or make the floor slippery are prohibited.

There are no stage rehearsals.

CLASSICAL SECTION

Possibility to register either in the classical dance section or classical dance section-hight competition

The choreographies can be part of the classical ballet repertoire or new creations.

NEW- SECTION OPEN STYLES

Any dance style is allowed in the performance — from hip hop to character dance, belly dance, ethnic dances, fitness dance, or fantasy dance.

Single category (not divided into baby, junior, or senior), open to groups, solos, and duos.

FESTIVAL SECTION

Choreography must be set to a song that has participated in any edition of the Sanremo music festival.

Judges will consider the scenic and creative elements that reflect the song contest's atmosphere. Groups, soloists and duos may participate **all together** in the same section, **not** divided into age categories (baby, junior, and senior)

MODERN DANCE & CONTEMPORARY SECTION

Possibility to register in the following section: contemporary dance SDF, and modern dance SDF or in contemporary dance hight competition and modern dance hight competition. In both sections, for the Senior SOLOIST category there will be a division into MAN and WOMAN

CHOREOGRAPHIC COMPOSITION SECTION

The performance can be modern, contemporary, fusion, or contamination, with a "focus" on choreography construction, idea and development.

This section id divided in **solos**, **duos**, **and groups** for each category: **baby**, **junior**, **senior**.

SCHEDULE

The competition will take place on **Friday 1st, Saturday 2nd and Sunday 3rd 2026,** at the ARISTON THEATER, with the following schedule.

FRIDAY, May 1st check -in opens at 2PM Competition starts at 3PM Competition end at 11PM

SATURDAY, May 2nd check -in opens at 8:30AM Competition starts at 9:30AM Competition ends at 11PM

SUNDAY, May3rd check -in opens at 9AM Competition starts at 10AM Competition ends at 5PM

Awards will be given in 2-3 rounds throughout each day.

The detailed schedule for each day's sections will be published shortly on the website.

DOCUMENTATION

The competition is organized by the CSEN Provincial Committee of Imperia, with the organizational collaboration of ASD DANCE IN MOTION, Sanremo. Registration must be completed by submitting the required association documentation exclusively online at www.sanremodancefestival.it, after making the payment, which must be attached online to the "school registration form."

Enter the site, click "REGISTRATIONS," and fill in:

- **1- School registration form** (if you have more then 30 students, please fill out two forms so you will be able to insert the fiscal codes of all students)
 - **2- Choreography registration form** (one for each choreography)

3- Waiver form

On the day of the competition, you must bring with you a photocopy of the payment receipt for the required fees made to the following account:

ASD DANCE IN MOTION di C.so Inglesi 80- 18038 SANREMO

IBAN: IT 47 F03 10422700000000041066

In the payment description, please indicate only: SDF, followed by the name of the school and the number of choreographies for which the payment has been made.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE

Registrations must be submitted online by April 11, 2026. They will only be considered valid if the full amount or 70% of the due fee is attached.

Registrations may close earlier if the maximum number of participants is reached, with immediate communication on social media and the website.

The registration fee will not be refunded in case of withdrawal or absence.

MUSIC

Songs must be sent via email, RENAMED with the CHOREOGRAPHY TITLE, at the time of registration to info@sanremodancefestival.it, exclusively in mp3 format, and brought to the competition on a USB stick as a backup.

NO External photographers are ALLOWED during the competition.

OFFICIAL Photos/videos: FOTOPRINCIPE - Diano Marina - Stefano De Lorenzi.

FEES, TIME LIMITS, REIMBURSEMENTS/PRIZES

SDF			
-CLASSICAL DANCE -MODERN DANCE -CONTEMPORARY DANCE - OPEN STYLES -CHOREOGRAPHIC COMP FESTIVAL	REGISTRATION FEES BEFORE 31/01/2025:	REGISTRATION FEES AFTER 31/01/2025:	SOLOIST WHO ALSO PERFORMS IN GROUPS:
SOLO (2'30" minutes	80 euros	100 euros	80 euros
DUO (3' minutes	100 euros	120 euros	80 euros
GROUP (4'minutes Choreographic comp. 4'30' minutes)	120 euros	150 euros	80 euros

For groups, an additional 15 euros per dancer is required starting from the 6th dancer.

ALL 1ST PLACE WINNERS IN THE JUNIOR AND SENIOR CATEGORIES ACROSS ALL SECTIONS WILL RECEIVE A 100 EUROS REIMBURSEMENT.

SDF HIGHT COMPETITION	REGISTRATION FEES BEFORE 31/01/2025:	REGISTRATION FEES AFTER 31/01/2025:	SOLOIST WHO ALSO PERFORMS IN GROUPS:
ASSOLO baby- junior- senior (2'30" minuti) CLASSICO- MODERN- CONTEMPOR.	80 euros	100 euros	80 euros
DUO baby- junior- senior (3' minuti) CLASSICO- MODERN- CONTEMPOR.	100 euros	120 euros	
GRUPPO baby- junior- senior (4' minuti) CLASSICO- MODERN- CONTEMPOR.	120 euros	150 euros	

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1ST° BEST SCORE : CLASSICAL 500 EUROS, MODERN 500 EUROS, CONTEMPORARY 500 EUROS

2ND° BEST SCORE: CLASSICAL 200 EUROS, MODERN 200 EUROS, CONTEMPORARY 200 EUROS