



# SASKATOON HIGHLAND DANCING ASSOCIATION

## Membership Guidelines

The **Saskatoon Highland Dancing Association** offers three different categories of membership:

### **Full Membership:**

For competing dancers and their families, residing in or near Saskatoon or primarily taught by a teacher member. Benefits include subsidized competition and workshop fees, regular newsletters and more. Past benefits have included outfit and shoe subsidies, rolling garment bags, jackets and travel bursaries. Full members participate in fund-raising activities, dance-outs, and Folkfest volunteering at the end of the season, as well as having a vote at association meetings.

- ❖ Fees: \$75 for one dancer, and \$15 for each additional dancer
- ❖ Late fee of \$50 added to membership fee effective November 1, 2019 for **renewing** members
- ❖ SHDA is a volunteer-run organization. We greatly appreciate our volunteers and could not carry on without them. As Folkfest is the sole fundraising event for SHDA, **members are required to commit to volunteer hours to Folkfest.**
  - Fundraising commitments for 2019/20 are: **20 hours** per membership (however, you may be asked to volunteer more time should additional shifts need to be filled).
  - Full members are required to submit a \$300 cheque, **post-dated for August 1, 2020**, to cover fundraising commitments.
  - If fundraising commitments are not met, the cheque will be cashed. ***It is the Full Member's responsibility to provide a worker to cover their fundraising commitments.***
- ❖ SHDA competitions are also run by our volunteers. Full Members must volunteer a minimum of one shift per dance family at SHDA competitions at which their dancer(s) is competing. If additional shifts need to be filled, you may be contacted by the Competition Chair to volunteer for an additional shift.
- ❖ Dancers must participate in a minimum of 3 dance-outs per year/dancer (not including Folkfest). A completed Dance-out Form for **each dancer** is required and can be completed at:  
<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7VY5X8X>

### **Teacher Membership:**

Open to teachers of SHDA members or non-practicing teachers in the Saskatoon area. Teachers who participate in fund-raising activities (i.e. a Fundraising Teacher Membership) are accorded the benefits of a Full Member.

- ❖ Fees: \$5 per year
- ❖ Fundraising commitments for 2019/20 are the same as a full member (i.e. Fundraising Teacher commitments for 2019/20 are: **20 hours** per membership). Fundraising Teacher members are required to submit a \$300 cheque, **post-dated for August 1, 2020**, to cover fundraising commitments. If fundraising commitments are not met, the cheque will be cashed. ***It is the Fundraising Teacher Member's responsibility to provide a worker to cover their fundraising commitments.***

## **Associate Membership:**

For **recreational/non-competing dancers** and anyone who wishes to support the SHDA. Associate members receive our regular newsletter and may participate in membership events.

- ❖ Fees: \$25 per dancer
- ❖ Late fee of \$50 added to membership fee for renewing members after Nov. 1, 2019
- ❖ Associate Members who choose to compete **are not** eligible for subsidized competition registration and workshop fees.
- ❖ SHDA is a volunteer-run organization. We greatly appreciate our volunteers and could not carry on without them. As Folkfest is the sole fundraising event for SHDA, members are required to commit volunteer hours to Folkfest.
  - Fundraising commitments for Associate Members for 2019/20 are: **10 hours** per membership (however, you may be asked to volunteer more time should additional shifts need to be filled).
  - Associate members are required to submit a \$150 cheque, **post-dated for August 1, 2020**, to cover Folkfest commitments.
  - If fundraising commitments are not met, the cheque will be cashed. ***It is the Associate Member's responsibility to provide a worker to cover their fundraising commitments.***
- ❖ Dancers in this membership category are invited to participate in dance-outs and are also eligible to dance at Folkfest. A completed Dance-out Form is required and can be completed at: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/7VY5X8X>

## **Membership Cancellation:**

Should any member choose to cancel their membership:

- ❖ Cancellation must be done in **writing** to the Membership Coordinator and **received by December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019**.
- ❖ Membership fee is **not** refundable.
- ❖ Volunteer bond **will be returned** if notification of cancellation is **received** by December 31<sup>st</sup> 2019.

## **To Register:**

Please complete the appropriate membership application form and submit payment and post-dated commitment fee to:

**Heather McGregor,  
SHDA Membership Coordinator  
SHDA  
1701 Ruth Street East  
Saskatoon, SK S7J 0L7**