

# RDA 2021 Outstanding Soloist Program

**RDA Dancer Associates** are eligible to participate in the 2021 RDA Outstanding Soloist Program. The program is an educational opportunity for dancers to receive personalized, constructive feedback on a solo performance from RDA's world-class Adjudicators -- both during Adjudication and in written feedback following Adjudication. For the 2021 Outstanding Soloists named by the Adjudicators, RDA will also offer coaching sessions with professional dancers.

Solos will be pre-recorded and submitted via **VIDEO** through RDA's online application.

## SOLO SPECIFICS

### Up to 2.5 minutes long:

- Classical ballet or pointe variation with traditional music and choreography **OR**
- Contemporary solo (all styles of dance other than ballet) featuring original choreography, music, etc.

## AGE CATEGORIES

- **JUNIOR SOLOISTS:**
  - Ages 12 - 14
- **SENIOR SOLOISTS:**
  - Ages 15+

\*The dancer's age as of the first date of the 2021 Regional Festival determines the age category in which the solo is to be adjudicated.

\*\*Participants must be RDA Associates and are expected to participate in the Regional Festival.

## COMPANY OPPORTUNITY

### Each company may present up to **FIVE** solos for Adjudication:

- Up to **TWO** Junior solos per company &
- Up to **THREE** Senior solos per company

## FESTIVAL PRESENTATION

The Adjudicator may select up to:

- **ONE** Junior Outstanding Soloist, whose solo will be showcased on the first evening's performance,
- **ONE** Senior Classical Outstanding Soloist, whose solo will be showcased on the Adjudicator's performance of choice,
- **ONE** Senior Contemporary Outstanding Soloist, whose solo will be showcased on the Adjudicator's performance of choice

## APPLICATION

### Online application:

The company director must complete the online application for each solo. Applications go through RDA National directly to the Region's Adjudicator.

### Deadline & payment:

Online applications are due on the same date as your Region's Adjudication paperwork.

The fee per solo is \$125. The company director must send one check payable to the RDA Region for the total number of solos being presented by the company. Checks must be postmarked by the application deadline.

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## COMPLETE THE APPLICATION

Online application: <https://bit.ly/RDA-OS-APP-21>

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## MAIL PAYMENT VIA CHECK

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**RDA/MidStates:**

Catie Dietz-Griffith  
Treasurer, RDA/MidStates  
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**RDA/Northeast:**

RDA Northeast Festival  
c/o Sarah Purvis  
Erie Contemporary Ballet Theatre  
8335 Edinboro Rd.  
Erie, PA 16509

**RDA/Southeast:**

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Treasurer, RDA/Southeast  
1828 Young Farm Rd  
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**RDA/Southwest:**

Rachel Kerr  
Treasurer, RDA/Southwest  
PO Box 52034  
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**The Adjudicator** will review Outstanding Soloist video submissions prior to Adjudication. They will provide dedicated feedback and coaching to each soloist at the Adjudication (*RDA National will discuss logistics with each Adjudicator per each Region's virtual Adjudication formats this year*).

The Adjudicator will complete a written evaluation sheet for each solo, which will be provided to the company director post-Adjudication. It will not be included in the Adjudicator's formal report.

For the dancers named by the Adjudicators as 2021 RDA Outstanding Soloists, RDA National will follow up with the company directors to discuss offering complimentary coaching sessions with professional dancers.