

WHAT DOES EACH TIER OF THE DISCOVERY SHOWCASE ENTAIL?

Virtual Broadcast Dance Discovery Showcase

- All dancer solos are broadcast as part of a virtual broadcast Discovery Showcase, May 26-29.
- All dancers will receive professional video/audio critiques on their solo.
- Separately, all dancers will participate in a Zoom Master Class conducted by one of mentors from their performance category.

Semi-Final Showcase

- 25 dancers will be selected as semi-finalists in each performance category. 100 total.
- These 100 solos will be broadcast as part of a virtual broadcast Semi-Final Showcase on June 3.
- These 100 solos will receive additional video/audio critiques from associates of the 12 mentors. These associates will determine the finalists.

Final Showcase

- 10 finalists will be selected in each performance category. 40 total.
- A Zoom class of 10 finalists will be conducted in each of the 4 performance categories. The 3 Mentors from that category will observe and offer live feedback.
- These 40 solos will receive additional feedback directly from the 12 mentors.
- The top 12 dancers will each be handpicked by the professional mentors - 3 from each of the 4 performance category.
- A LIVE Finals Broadcast will announce the top 12 dancers and include their 12 solos, along with Mentors commentary.

Top 12 Dancers Receive:

- 2 day 'professional experience' with their mentor - shadowing them in their professional environment (possibly involving professional rehearsals, on set, company class, backstage, etc.). This will be scheduled through NYCDA, based on mutual availability for mentor and dancer- and after restrictions are lifted from Covid-19. Travel and Accommodations are not provided.
- \$1000 training scholarship from the NYC Dance Alliance Foundation.
- A \$600 Summer Intensive scholarship or a \$4000 Conservatory Scholarship from Steps on Broadway.

REGISTRATION

What are the eligibility requirements?

All dancers that are graduating from High School in the class of 2020 are eligible- including international Students! A solo video is needed.

How do I apply and what is the fee?

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Your dance studio or training institution must register you via the online registration portal at www.nycdance.com. The fee is \$100 for each dancer solo that is uploaded.

Can I apply in more than one category?

Yes, a dancer can submit in more than one category. The four categories are Concert Dance, Broadway/TheatreDance, Classical/Contemporary Ballet and Commercial Dance. This could be a different solo in each category, or even the same solo submitted twice in two different categories- if you feel it fits! Each submission will have a \$100 fee.

If I submit in two different categories, do I participate in multiple Zoom classes?

Yes- all the dancers in each performance category will participate in a Zoom class with a mentor from that category. So, if you're entered in two different categories, then you'll have the opportunity to participate in two Zoom classes, each in their respective style.

Can I submit my application before my solo is ready to upload?

Yes, in fact, submit your application at your earliest opportunity. You will receive the link to upload your solo after you have submitted your application/registration. The deadline for all applications and solo uploads is May 20.

Do I have to have a solo video?

Yes- but any solo video is great! Filmed outside in your backyard, home studio, your living room, garage, or a previously recorded performance. Costuming, production value, and the quality of the video recording will have no bearing on outcome. Upload deadline is May 20.

What if I move onto the Semi-Final or Final Round?

No additional application or video submission is required.

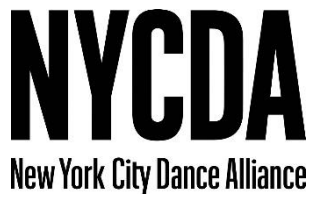
EVALUATION

How will my work be evaluated?

Criteria

- TECHNIQUE/TRAINING
- PERFORMANCE QUALITY
- MOVEMENT QUALITY
- MUSICALITY

In the initial showcase round, all dancer solos will be evaluated by 3 dance professionals from that field and will receive constructive feedback following the completion of the entire Discovery Showcase. All feedback will be emailed to the studio. Twenty-five dancers from each category will be chosen to move on to the Semi-Final round- total of 100 dancers.



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Dancers moving on to the Semi-Final round will be evaluated by 3 dance professionals that are affiliated with the Final Round Mentors in that discipline. All semi-finalist dancers will receive another round of professional feedback, which will be shared with the registered studio. Ten dancers from each discipline will be chosen to move on to the Final Round- total of 40 dancers.

The ten dancers in each category that move on to the Final Round will participate in one additional zoom class, taught by one of their category Mentors, that will be observed by all 3 Mentors as part of the final evaluation. All 40 solos will receive additional feedback from the mentors in their performance category. From these 40 dancers, a top 12 is selected by the mentors -3 from each performance category.