

## HALIFAX HIGHLAND DANCING ASSOCIATION 2017/2018 MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

The Halifax Highland Dancing Association, founded in 1978, is a non-profit organization. HHDA brings together dancers, parents and teachers from the various dance schools and communities to work together to promote and foster highland dancing in the Halifax area, as well as throughout Nova Scotia.

Each year HHDA hosts a Spring competition weekend, including an Open Championship, an Open Premiership, and a Pre-Premier competition, a Fall Competition and several workshop opportunities. The cost of organizing and hosting these events continue to grow year after year. Your membership fee to HHDA helps offset some of these expenses, which can run upwards of \$10,000 for a weekend competition.

Each year, HHDA awards a dancer and teacher scholarship. HHDA has also been in a position to offer financial assistance to any HHDA member who has qualified to represent Nova Scotia at the ScotDance Canada Championship Series. As well, HHDA organizes workshops and performances throughout the year. Additional benefits to members for 2017/2018 include discounts for HHDA hosted competitions and workshops, free competition programs, and entry into members-only events at competitions. In September 2017, the HHDA is pleased to be hosting the first HHDA Members-Only Closed Fall Competition!

As a member of HHDA you will be asked to volunteer from time to time at the various events organized and hosted by HHDA. Members of HHDA are eligible to attend and vote at the Annual General Meeting held each Fall, and as a member of HHDA you are eligible to sit as a member of the Executive if you are nominated and elected at the Annual General Meeting.

- Annual Membership Fee: \$25.00 per family
- Membership year runs from September 1, 2017-August 31, 2018
- Members must live with the Halifax Regional Municipality (HRM)
- An exception may be made for a dancer who resides outside of the HRM if
  the dancer travels to the HRM to attend regular dance classes. Skype or
  other video-type lessons do not qualify for this exemption. Final decision on
  eligibility for dancers who reside outside of the HRM is at the sole discretion
  of the Executive of the HHDA.
- Membership fees are waived for HRM teachers (must be 18 years of age)

Please visit the following link to become a member, or to renew your existing membership:

**HHDA MEMBERSHIPS** 

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