

**NATIONAL YOUNG PERFORMER AWARDS
2009 CRITERIA FOR HIGHLAND AND NATIONAL DANCING**

- A. Competitors shall be 15 and under 21 years as at 1st October 2009.
- B. Each competitor shall perform in three classes during the preliminary round, in the following order:
1. Choice of one solo Highland dance; Highland Fling, Sean Triubhas, Sword Dance
 2. Choice of one solo Irish step dance; Irish Jig Single Time, Irish Jig Double Time, Irish Hornpipe
 3. Sailors Hornpipe
- C. There will be a semi final of up to eight competitors. They will each perform one of the items from B.
- D. A maximum of three competitors shall be recalled for the final performance and shall repeat an item from B, but not the item performed in the semi-final.
- E. Placing will be determined by an aggregate of all marks gained throughout the competition.

SOCIETY NOMINATION

Each Society, which is a financial member of PACANZ, may nominate up to two competitors, which shall be selected by the adjudicator, based on a performance as outlined in A-B (above).

The adjudicator will determine that a competitor has displayed a sufficient standard of performance to competently represent that society at the National Finals.

The standard required will be at the absolute discretion of the adjudicator but will include;

- A demonstration of adequate preparation
- An authority of performance
- A performance with a level of maturity commensurate with a national final competition of this age group.

If the adjudicator considers that sufficient standard has NOT been reached by any competitor, then NO nomination will be made.

The Nominee is responsible for paying part of the entry fee to the National Young Performer Awards i.e. \$50.00

Direct Entry

If the adjudicator considers that more than two competitors have reached a sufficient standard, the adjudicator may report to the committee that those competitors should be given the option of a DIRECT ENTRY.

The DIRECT ENTRY competitor will be responsible for paying the full entry fee i.e. \$100.00