

2024 Team Canada BJMC-A PACKAGE

EVENT(s): KIECLE, POLAND

IDO World BALLET (Nov. 26-28), MODERN/CONTEMPORARY (Nov.27-Dec.1), ACRO (Nov. 28-30), JAZZ (Dec. 1-4) Championships - tentative schedule for ballet & acro - jazz & m/c confirmed

ARRIVAL DATE: PLEASE BOOK YOUR FLIGHT AS FOLLOWS:

MANDATORY ARRIVAL DATE: TWO ARRIVAL DATES @ hotel NOV 24 or NOV 29. There will be a scheduled shuttle at Warsaw Airport on Nov. 24 & 29 to take you to the hotel in Kielce.

OPTIONAL RETURN DATE: FOUR RETURN SHUTTLES You will check out of the hotel on the morning of your package, and there will be a scheduled shuttle back to Warsaw airport. Your return date to Canada is optional, however, there will be a shuttle back to Warsaw airport on: **NOV 29, DEC 1, DEC 2, & DEC 5.**

INTERNATIONAL DANCE ORGANIZATION (IDO):

IDO is a nonprofit World Dance and Dancesport Federation with over 90 members and contact nations, representing more than 500,000 dancers from all 6 continents! Team Canada Dance / IDO Canada is Canada's National Member Organization

TEAM CANADA DANCE /IDO CANADA

Team Canada Dance is a nonprofit organization that brings together Canada's most elite dancers and choreographers to compete on the world stage, proudly representing Canada. Our organization allows dancers to travel, meet other dancers worldwide, and compete as a unified team with dancers across Canada. Team Canada Dance also allows Canadian dancers to learn from master teachers and choreographers both within Canada and abroad. We encourage our dancers and their supporters to foster good sportsmanship and to promote Canadian values while exhibiting our remarkable dance training. We only work with the 'best of the best' choreographers who choose the best dancers to represent Canada.

THE ORGANIZER

Our Polish host have organized large World Championships, such as the Ballet-Jazz-Modern/Contemporary event, for many years. However, this is the first IDO Acro Championship to be held outside of Russia or Mexico. Competitive Acro-Dance is fairly new for Europe and is a growing event.

TEAM CANADA DANCE RECORD

Team Canada Dance/IDO Canada has proven itself a worthy competitor at these events. Not only has Canada made an impression on the international dance community over the years, but multiple members of the IDO presidium have also recognized our dancers as a talented and original team. Canada made its mark! Reaching the podium is an amazing way to celebrate all the hard work that everyone has put into the team, but dancers have also made great connections with each other across Canada and in the international dance community. Past dancers have taught at international workshops and become adjudicators and choreographers themselves. Team Canada competed for the first time at the IDO Acro Championship in Mexico in 2023, where Canada brought home several medals and trophies and heard the Canadian National Anthem in EVERY division. Our East BJMC team has been winning medals for the last 12 years. This year, together with both our East and West teams, Canada will be unstoppable!

FLIGHTS:

This year, we ask dancers/families to purchase their own airline tickets. *Dancers/families will be able to take advantage of seat sales, use their points, and use third-party sites like Expedia to get a better deal for their families*. We feel that by purchasing your own, you will be able to get less expensive than group seats than what we can get for you. We realize that not everyone enjoys making their own flights. We are more than happy to assist you if you need any assistance!

ADVANTAGES TO BOOKING YOUR OWN FLIGHT:

- Tickets purchased online or through a travel agent are always less expensive than group tickets, as airlines are forced to hold over 100 seats for months for a team with a deposit. We cannot purchase seats without all the passport info which we usually need to wait for.
- Tickets booked online are the price that they are that day. With group tickets, we pay an average between the most expensive and least expensive tickets
- You are able to use your credit card for purchase and many credit cards include insurance.
 Please check what your credit card offers you for travel insurance and cancellation as well as points earned.
- You can decide the duration of your trip! If you wish to depart early or stay longer for a holiday, it's in your hands. You also don't have to get up early to depart the day after the competition to get back to the airport with the rest of the team if you don't want to.
- You may find that large companies and corporations will sponsor you by letting you use their points to book your flights. PLEASE look into this to help offset your costs!
- You can upgrade to whatever level of travel you wish when booking. You won't be limited as groups usually are.
- You can take advantage of seat sales or use third-party sites such as Expedia

DIS-ADVANTAGES TO BOOKING YOUR OWN FLIGHT:

- If your flight is cancelled or delayed, any additional expenses to get yourself to the hotel/competition will be your responsibility
- If something happens with your travel and you don't make it in time to compete in the first round, IDO disqualifies you for all subsequent rounds. They will make an exception if an entire team is delayed (but won't for one or two dancers).
- It's always exciting to travel with a group, but that hasn't been a reality for the last few years.
 As we won't be traveling together this year, we will be arranging a Team Dinner with the hotel
 (more info to come)
- You may not be comfortable making your own way we can help!
- If you decide to vacation after the competition in Kielce, it will be your responsibility to get back to the airport or whichever airport you are returning from.
- All holidays MUST BE AFTER the competition. We want you at your best to compete!

TEAM CANADA 5-night BALLET PACKAGE:

IMPORTANT!! The packages below are **estimated costs**. We are still waiting for confirmation from the organizers about entry and shuttle prices. It is still early in the organization phase for all costs to be confirmed. Both the IDO and Team Canada Dance are non-profit organizations, so all costs are carefully considered. If the confirmed prices are more than projected, the packages are subject to an additional nominal fee -we don't anticipate any major differences. If the confirmed prices are lower than our estimates, your account will reflect the difference. We used 2023 prices for our estimates and a minimum number of travelers that must be met.

BALLET ONLY

5 nights - NOV 24 - 29

The entire Canadian team (except jazz) will arrive together on November 24. There will be scheduled airport shuttles from Warsaw airport to our hotel in Kielce. We are including an extra day (25th) for rehearsal to ensure you arrive and acclimate to the new time zone. Flights can often be delayed or canceled, and if you miss your first round, IDO will not let you compete in subsequent rounds! You will be present at the championships for ballet and the first day of modern/contemporary only. If the final ballet schedule is Nov. 26-27, you may check out on the 28th and take the noon (TBD) shuttle to Warsaw, and we will have an airport hotel in Warsaw for the last night (28th). Otherwise, departure is on Nov. 29th with an early shuttle to Warsaw airport.

You can choose to stay longer without competing, but this is the first return shuttle/check-out for ballet.

PACKAGE #1 1 DANCER ONLY - shared with another dancer

5 nights November 24 - 29

\$2,025 each

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds - *with exceptions.

PACKAGE #2

1 DANCER + 1 PARENT/SUPPORTER or 2 PARENT/SUPPORTERS

5 nights November 24 - 29

\$3,725 total

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds or one French/double bed

PACKAGE #3 3 IN THE SAME ROOM

5 nights November 24 - 29

\$5.025 total

*This option for 3/room is a suite that includes one double/french bed (or 2 twin beds) + one pull-out or extra bed/cot)

TEAM CANADA 7-night ACRO PACKAGE:

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UP TO END OF ACRO (& IMPROV)

7 nights - NOV 24 - DEC 1

The entire Canadian team (except jazz) will arrive together on November 24. There will be scheduled airport shuttles from Warsaw airport to our hotel in Kielce. We are including an extra day (25th) for rehearsal to ensure you arrive and acclimate to the new time zone. Flights can often be delayed or canceled, and if you miss your first round, IDO will not let you compete in subsequent rounds! You will be at the championships during Ballet, Acro, Improv, and part of Modern/Contemporary. You will depart on Dec. 1 after the acro is over. You can choose to stay longer, but this is the second return date for shuttle/check-out.

PACKAGE #1 1 DANCER ONLY - shared with another dancer

7 nights November 24 - December 1

\$2,375 each

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds - *with exceptions.

PACKAGE #2

1 DANCER + 1 PARENT/SUPPORTER or 2 PARENT/SUPPORTERS

7 nights November 24 - December 1

\$4.310 total

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds or one French/double bed

PACKAGE #3 3 IN THE SAME ROOM

7 nights November 24 - December 1

\$5,825 total

*This option for 3/room is a suite that includes one double/french bed (or 2 twin beds) + one pull-out or extra bed/cot)

TEAM CANADA 8-night M/C PACKAGE:

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UP TO END OF MODERN/CONTEMPORARY

8 nights - NOV 24 - DEC 2

The entire Canadian team (except jazz) will arrive together on November 24. There will be scheduled airport shuttles from Warsaw airport to our hotel in Kielce. We are including extra day (25th) for rehearsal to ensure that you arrive and acclimate to the new time zone. Flights can often be delayed or canceled, and if you miss your first round, IDO will not let you compete in subsequent rounds! You will depart on Dec. 2 after the M/C is over. You can choose to stay longer, but this is the third return date shuttle/check-out.

PACKAGE #1 1 DANCER ONLY - shared with another dancer

8 nights November 24 - December 2 \$2,590 each

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds

PACKAGE #2 1 DANCER + 1 PARENT/SUPPORTER or 2 PARENT/SUPPORTERS

8 nights November 24 - December 2 \$4,680 total

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds or one French/double bed

PACKAGE #3 3 IN THE SAME ROOM

8 nights November 24 - December 2 \$6,242 total

*This option for 3/room is a suite that includes one double/french bed (or 2 twin beds) + one pull-out couch (French/double)

TEAM CANADA 7-night JAZZ PACKAGE:

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JAZZ ONLY

6 nights - NOV 29 - DEC 5

The jazz only* team will arrive together on November 29. There will be scheduled airport shuttles from Warsaw airport to our hotel in Kielce. We are including extra day (30th) for rehearsal to ensure that you arrive and acclimate to the new time zone. Flights can often be delayed or canceled, and if you miss your first round, IDO will not let you compete in subsequent rounds! You will depart on Dec. 5 after the jazz is over. You can choose to stay longer, but this is the last return date shuttle/check-out.

PACKAGE #1 1 DANCER ONLY - shared with another dancer

6 nights November 29 - December 5 \$2,400 each

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds

PACKAGE #2 1 DANCER + 1 PARENT/SUPPORTER or 2 PARENT/SUPPORTERS

6 nights November 29 - December 5 \$4,360 total

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds or one French/double bed

PACKAGE #3 3 IN THE SAME ROOM

6 nights November 29 - December 5 \$5,900 total

*This option for 3/room is a suite that includes one double/french bed (or 2 twin beds) + one pull-out couch (French/double)

TEAM CANADA 11-night ALL EVENTS PACKAGE:

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ALL EVENTS

11 nights - NOV 24 - DEC 5

The entire Canadian team (except jazz) will arrive together on November 24. There will be scheduled airport shuttles from Warsaw airport to our hotel in Kielce. We are including extra day (25th) for rehearsal to ensure that you arrive and acclimate to the new time zone. Flights can often be delayed or canceled, and if you miss your first round, IDO will not let you compete in subsequent rounds! You will depart on Dec. 5 after the jazz is over. You can choose to stay longer, but this is the last return date shuttle/check-out.

PACKAGE #1 1 DANCER ONLY - shared with another dancer

11-nights November 29 - December 5

\$2,865 each

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds

PACKAGE #2

1 DANCER + 1 PARENT/SUPPORTER or 2 PARENT/SUPPORTERS

7 nights November 29 - December 5

\$5,390 total

*This option for 2/room includes two twin beds or one French/double bed

PACKAGE #3 3 IN THE SAME ROOM

7 nights November 29 - December 5

\$6,945 total

*This option for 3/room is a suite that includes one double/french bed (or 2 twin beds) + one pull-out couch (French/double)

COSTS:

As with all organizations, the Team Canada Dance costs included in the Team Package include the costs to operate the organization such as currency exchange rates, wire fees, phone, webpage, shipping, registration, storage, IDO National fees, bank fees, National Judges expenses, staff flight/hotel, and the cost to carry any loans to bridge the amount due to IDO on their due dates if not collected from everyone, etc. It also covers hotel, shuttle, licensing, entry, and choreo/staff travel. We want to represent you well, but we must also cover all fees by the IDO due dates. We do not have grants or donations to assist the organization itself. All expenses must be covered by the packages.

*PLEASE NOTE: Fees are estimates based on 2023 prices at a similar event and a minimum number of total of 120-150 travelers. *You will have 3 choreographers traveling with you this year (Irina, Christie, & Derek).

PAYMENTS can be made by e-transfer or cheque. You may also deposit directly into the Team Canada Dance account at an RBC branch (ask us how).

Please e-transfer to **idocanadabjmc@gmail.com** and use the password **Dance2024**. In the security question, please put the **dancer name/province/team**.

A deposit must be made upon acceptance of \$500 per traveler to secure your spot. Three installment schedules will be offered, which will be explained after your acceptance. **The fees MUST be paid IN FULL by Sept. 1, 2024,** or you will not be able to participate.

COSTUMES- to be determined

The choreographers will do their best to keep the costume fees as low as possible. Solo/duo costumes may be sourced individually; however, they must be approved by the choreographer and/or Team Canada admin.

CHOREOGRAPHY/REHEARSAL - \$250 + \$100 rehearsal

There will be a separate choreography fee for each group. This fee goes directly to the choreographer, not Team Canada Dance, and includes choreography and rehearsals. This must be given in cash and in usd for Derek choreo, not rehearsal. The rehearsal fee will include fall and competition rehearsals. These fees are set by the choreographer and is for their use only.

*see the audition tab for the tentative rehearsal schedule.

CANADIAN NATIONAL 2024 BJMC-A HEAD COACHES AND STAFF:

IRINA EGOROVA - Head of Ballet

LEXY COX - Head of West Acro

CHRISTIE MCKAY- Head of East Children & Junior Jazz

DEREK PIQUETTE - Head of East Acro, Modern/Contemporary, & Adult Jazz

BONNIE - Team Canada Dance National Director & IDO Vice President

MELISSA - Team Captain & admin

FUNDRAISING:

Fundraising is a great way to offset some travel costs. You can do this individually or as a team. This not only helps those families in need but also promotes team bonding.

Individual dancers may also seek sponsorships from local businesses to help. We have had several dancers pay for their families this way in the past!

Businesses will also donate points towards your flight. Ask businesses, salespeople, and/or large companies/corporations—or anyone you know—to donate air points for your ticket.

Finally, get yourself in the news! **But before you do, contact the Team Canada Dance office** (*Melissa*), as there may be other dancers in your area who are on this team or another team competing this year, and it's only fair that you all get some exposure!

We are a non-profit, **not** a charity, meaning businesses that donate money cannot write this off as a charitable donation. However, in the past, some businesses have classified it as an advertising (or other) expense. Therefore, as a recipient of the funds, you may want to wear something with the company's name on a T-shirt or hat. We will also put their logo on our website and share your story on social media, thanking your sponsor.

We have documents for Fundraising Tips, Sponsor Letters/Receipts, Press Releases, and more. You will receive these after you accept your position on the team. If you need a school letter for the time off, contact us.

If you need assistance with anything, please don't hesitate to ask!

REGISTRATION

After you accept your position on the team, you will be sent a link to register yourself and any family members traveling with you.

AGES

Ages are determined as of December 31/2024 CHILDREN - 12 & under JUNIOR - 13-16 ADULT - 17 & over

ENTRIES

Team Canada will bring a team from both ON and BC, so the number of entries we are permitted will be split between the two provinces. Your choreographer will know as they differ per event.

SOCIAL MEDIA:

Our strict social media policy and registration terms are found on our website. Team communication is all done through the TeamSnap app, or a direct email to the team email as a secondary method. Please respect each other on this platform. We have had to remove aggressive participants in the past. NO CHOREOGRAPHY / REHEARSAL will be posted online or shared outside of the group until the competition. Any videos shared within our team will be shared through our Google Drive. Occasionally, we may use some footage for promotion.

Also, please do not open any social media or crowd-sourcing accounts in our name. You can crowd-source and say you are participating on the Team Canada Dance team, but please don't make it look like our organization and/or the West team are the ones fundraising.

We do encourage all of you to tag us on your social media with your awesome pics and fun videos! Just don't post any choreography until after the competition. We might miss the occasional post due to our hectic schedules, but we would love to repost your stuff when possible! IG @teamcanadadanceofficial

TEAM HANDBOOK:

This will be found in the FILES section on TeamSnap and the ACRO TEAMS page of our website: https://teamcanadadance.ca/2024-bjmc-teams . It will be updated as needed. Most of the answers to your questions can be found here. Please read it thoroughly and then ask any questions you may have. We will go over it again at our Team Meeting.

DISTRIBUTION OF INFORMATION

PLEASE NOTE that TEAM CANADA DANCE OFFICE will share any competition information ONLY. Previously, we have had families share the schedule or the entries and cause panic with others. Once ALL information is SUBMITTED, CORRECT, & CONFIRMED with the choreographers AND competition organizer, we will share it with the team. We may have knowledge that is not on the website yet, so please do not share any information until we do.

The same applies at the competition as the choreographer wants to speak with the dancers before results are shared amongst the team.

QUICK QUESTIONS:

If you have any questions, please email idocanadabjmc@gmail.com We will start TeamSnap after the team is finalized.

CATEGORIES

BALLET CHAMPIONSHIP - November 26 - 28

3 EPNs

- Children M/F Classical Solo
- Children M/F Repertoire Solo
- Children Classical Duo
- Children Classical Group
- Children Classical Formation
- Junior 1 M/F Classical Solo
- Junior 2 M/F Classical Solo
- Junior 1 M/F Repertoire Solo
- Junior 2 M/F Repertoire Solo
- Junior 1 Classical Duo
- Junior 2 Classical Duo
- · Junior Classical Group
- Junior Classical Formation

- Adult M/F Classical Solo
- Adult M/F Repertoire SoloAdult Classical Duo
- · Adult Classical Group
- Adult Classical Formation

MODERN/CONTEMPORARY CHAMPIONSHIP - November 27 - December 1

3 EPNs

- Children M/F Solo
- Children Duo
- · Children Group
- Children Formation
- Junior 1 M/F Solo
- Junior 2 M/F Solo
- Junior 1 Duo
- Junior 2 Duo
- Junior Group
- Junior Formation

- Adult M/F Solo
- Adult Duo
- Adult Group
- Adult Formation

ACROBATIC DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP - November 29 - 30

open EPNs

- Children M/F Solo
- Children Duo
- Children Group
- Children Formation
- Junior 1 M/F Solo
- Junior 2 M/F Solo
- Junior 1 Duo
- Junior 2 Duo
- Junior Group
- Junior Formation

- · Adult M/F Solo
- Adult Duo
- Adult Group
- Adult Formation

PERFORMING ARTS IMPROVISATION CUP - November 29 - 30

open to any dancer on the team

Children Solo
 Junior Solo

open EPNs

3 EPNs

JAZZ CHAMPIONSHIP - December 1 - 4

- Children M/F Solo
- Children Duo
- Children Group
- Children Formation
- Junior 1 M/F Solo
- Junior 2 M/F Solo
- Junior 1 Duo
- Junior 2 Duo
- Junior Group
- Junior Formation

- Adult M/F Solo
- Adult Duo

· Adult Solo

- Adult Group
- Adult Formation