



# Line Dance Association's “Hall of Fame Awards”

**We welcome you to the Line Dance Association “Hall of Fame Awards”.**

*The nomination of candidates ends on June 30 th.*

*In fact, the voting process that determines nominated choreographies, choreographers, clubs, or musicians is a long and complex task that currently involves more than 100 “Line Dance Association Hall of Fame Voting Members” from around the world and dozens of eligible.*

*For a candidate to be eligible, he/she must not have committed any wrongdoing. There is a strict procedure governed by specific guidelines, all related to the illustrious history of the Line Dance Association. Here we will see how applications work and how they are chosen.*

CATEGORIES
Choreography Beginner
Choreography Country
Choreography Linedance
Instructor
Club
« Americana » singer or band

## **CRITERIA FOR NOMINATION OF CANDIDATES:**

### **Categories of CHOREGRAPHIES;**

There are **three categories**

- \* Choreography Beginner
- \* Choreography Country
- \* Choreography Line Dance (non-Country)

The choreography must be taught publicly in class and indicate the name of the festival, club, dance school or bar where it was taught; and must have been taught for at least one month.

Being popularity rewards, it must have demonstrated its popularity in the period from March 1, 2019 to March 1, 2020.

### **Category INSTRUCTORS:**

#### **Only one category**

They must be Instructors with at least one year of experience who, at least between March 1, 2019 and March 1, 2020, have shown sufficient and interesting activity in general, with dances generally accepted by the dancers. They must have a recognized ability to communicate and teach.

### **Category CLUBS**

#### **Only one category**

It must be clubs, schools, bars, social centers or academies whose main and relevant activity is line dance. They must show initiative and continuity by organizing activities for linedancers in all styles: from Line Dance in general to Catalan style, through country line dance, soul line dance, Brazilian style, etc.

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The type of activities may include live concerts, deejay sessions, technical workshops, choreography workshops, marathons, parties, contests, competitions, ...



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## **Category AMERICANA ARTIST**

### **Only one category**

They are artists or bands whose musical style fits in the “Americana music”: Country, Rock and Roll, Swing, Rockabilly, Blues, Soul, Rhythm & Blues, etc. They can be from anywhere in the world. The goal is to recognize the work of emerging personalities who are not part of the “star system” and whose music is at least danceable, and preferably used by line dancers.

They must have a one-year experience in live music and at least the period between March 1, 2019 and March 1, 2020. Their biography must include three live performances as minimum.

## **PHASES OF THE HALL OF FAME AWARDS**

### **Phase I: Nominations** (*Finishes on June 30<sup>th</sup>*)

1<sup>st</sup> The initial nominations for the awards are up to the “Hall of Fame Voting Members”, to personalities of the environment with outstanding professional qualifications, and the Linedancers in general

2<sup>nd</sup> The Hall of Fame Committee assigns one of the categories of the Hall of Fame Awards to each "Hall of Fame Voting Member".

3<sup>rd</sup> The Hall of Fame Committee checks whether the nominees meet the requirements, and sends to the “Hall of Fame Voting Members” of each category the list of the candidates.

Remember that in the Phase I everybody may nominate in whatever of the existing categories, or all of them

### **Phase II: Finalists Choice** (*Starts on July 1<sup>st</sup> and finishes on July 31<sup>st</sup>*)

4<sup>th</sup> The “Hall of Fame Voting Members” vote in each category the five preferred candidates to determine the finalists.

5<sup>th</sup> The Hall of Fame Committee scrutinize the votes and sends to all the “Hall of Fame Voting Members” the five finalists of the categories.

### **Phase III: Voting Winners** (*Starts on August 1<sup>st</sup> and finishes on September 15<sup>th</sup>*)

6<sup>th</sup> All the “Hall of Fame Voting Members” of all categories vote their preferred candidates in all categories.

7<sup>th</sup> On October the three finalists in each category will be published

8<sup>th</sup> The award to the winner of each category, will be held in “Americana Dancing Hall of Fame” on the evening / night of Friday November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2020

## **ETHICS HALL OF FAME AWARDS**

We are convinced of the honesty of all Voting Members, because without you these prizes could not exist.

The phases that follow the Hall of Fame awards are also a measure to avoid corporatist temptations. However, your attitude and work are the main guarantee of “fair play”, and so that we can demonstrate it to the Linedancer community, we make public these simple rules of coexistence that the Hall of Fame Committee follows upon receipt of the votes of The Hall of Fame Voting Members:

- Voting Members can nominate (Phase I) themselves, the couple, family members, or people they usually work with. However, they cannot vote for any of the above in Phase II, or in Phase III. If this occurs, the Hall of Fame Committee cancels the vote in the categories involved.



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- Hall of Fame Voting Members should base their decisions solely on the quality of the vote, and not on their influences, or personal friendships, regional preferences or loyalty. The acceptance of gifts is prohibited. Members are urged to vote in a manner that preserves the integrity of the Association.
- Voting Members who have a family relationship, close friendship or of regular work relationship are considered to be part of the same “family”. If in the Phase II or Phase III voting, the Hall of Fame Committee verifies that they vote for the same candidates, it will reduce the number of votes of that “family” to a single vote in the categories involved.
- The Line Dance Association advertises and promotes the Hall of Fame Voting Members. The only work they were asked for, and that they accepted to do after the invitation of the LDA to be part of the panel of the jury, is to study the candidates and vote their favorites. If this work is not fulfilled, the LDA is obliged to dispense, from the next edition, of the services of those Hall of Fame Voting Members. If a member affected by this fact requests to be part of the panel again, the Committee will study their request. If for the second time the expected work is breached, it cannot be readmitted.
- The list of all the members of the jury “Hall of Fame” is public and you can consult it at [www.linedance-association.com](http://www.linedance-association.com). However, it will not be public in which category each “Hall of Fame Voting Member” is, and we strongly urge everyone not to disclose it under any circumstances.
- The Line Dance Association thanks the Hall of Fame Voting Members for supporting, promoting, disseminating their work and demonstrating it in their comments and actions.

We will wait for your nominations and meanwhile, we take this opportunity to thank you for your work and dedication to linedancing and the "Americana" music. Thanks for being there!

*Cati Torrella*

*President*

*Line Dance Association*

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