



USA International Ballet Competition

USA IBC MEDIA CREDENTIALING

USA IBC Media Credentials are awarded to qualified applicants based on the provision of required identification and publication credits. Working journalists must provide a business card and media credentials or a letter of assignment to receive USA IBC Media Credentials. Freelance journalists and photographers must provide three recent (2008 – 2010) byline clips of their work. Journalists and photographers who are directly related to any competitor will not be credentialed. All media must show a photo ID to claim their credentials at the Media Operations Center. Approved applications will be confirmed in advance by email. Managing editors may request credentialing privileges be reserved for a journalist assigned to cover the competition. Only journalists with USA IBC Media Credentials will qualify for performance tickets and access to the Media Operations Center and various event venues. Please complete the application to request credentials.

DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS MONDAY, MAY 24, 2010

Media Operations Center

The official Media Operations Center for the USA IBC will provide a “work away from work” environment complete with equipment, contacts, information and media resources. Located in Community Room I of the Mississippi Arts Center and adjacent to Thalia Mara Hall, the Media Operations Center will be open from 10:00 a.m. – 7:30 p.m., June 12 – 27. (Schedule is subject to change.)

Media Center Services

Credentialing

During the competition, all media credentialing will be coordinated through the registration desk at the Media Operations Center.

Work Space

IBM-compatible computers with word processing software will be available on a first-come, first-serve basis. There will be access to photocopiers, telephones and wireless internet. Media materials on the competition and its participants will be available.

Photography

Credentialed photojournalists and freelance photographers are permitted in the auditorium during performances. There are areas designated for still and broadcast photographers. Please accommodate the audience and competitors by being prepared to muffle your equipment if a distracting noise level can be detected. **It is prohibited to use a flash, strobe, or any other lighting other than existing stage lighting during a performance. We request compliance for the safety of the dancers. It is prohibited to record any performance in its entirety or any portion of a performance without the authorization of the USA IBC.**

Journalists on assignment may obtain photographs of performances by contacting the USA IBC Official Photographer through the Media Operations Center. Photo sales to competitors, coaches and non-media is not permitted in the Media Operations Center.

Media Contacts

For more information on USA IBC credentialing application, contact:

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APPLICATION FOR MEDIA CREDENTIALS DEADLINE: MAY 24, 2010

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT LEGIBLY:

NAME _____

TITLE _____

AFFILIATION _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

COUNTRY _____ TELEPHONE _____ FAX _____

EMAIL _____

PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS _____

ARRIVAL DATE _____ DEPARTURE DATE _____

(Please include your complete travel itinerary.) _____

What performances do you plan to attend? _____

FOR FREELANCE JOURNALISTS: List three 2008 – 2010 publication credits; include publication title, date of publication and editor's name. Please enclose a photocopy of each credit listed.

Check the equipment you will need during your stay:

_____ Computer terminal _____ Copier _____ Telephone

Will you need an interpreter? _____ Yes _____ No If "yes," what language(s) do you speak?

Journalists check which forms of identification you have enclosed:

_____ Business card _____ Copy of media credential _____ Letter of assignment

Freelancers: Please enclose three 2008 – 2010 byline clips of your work listed above.

Photocopies are acceptable.

NOTE: *Photo ID will be required to obtain USA IBC Media Credentials at the Media Operations Center registration desk. Journalists should be prepared to show photo ID upon request throughout the competition.*

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