

# Eastern Region Highland Dancing News

## Pre-premier Dancing Award

The Eastern Region Dance teachers annually present a Pre-premier Award to one dancer in each Primary, Beginner, Novice, and Intermediate category to encourage the art of Highland Dancing. It was decided that the dancer with the highest points (placing) from 6 selected competitions would receive this award. The following are the competitions being used to calculate the award for 2009: Essex, Fairhill, Scotia, Bonnie Brae, and Glasgowlands.

The prize is **\$50** to be used for a practice sword, dance shoes, partial dance camp tuition, workshops, lessons or anything related to dance. The Intermediate winner will receive **\$100**. Please note that no entry is needed. All dancers in the above mentioned categories are eligible.

The winners for 2008 are listed on the right. Good Luck for 2009!

## CONGRATULATIONS

### Pre-premier Dancing Award Winners for 2008

#### Primary:

Winner- Laura Null – Chester Springs, PA  
 1<sup>st</sup> Runner up- Maiah Seul – Portsmouth, NH  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner up- Erica Maloney – Caldwell, NJ  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner up- Caleigh Trauger – Maple Glen, PA

#### Beginner:

Winner- Sara Null – Chester Springs, PA  
 1<sup>st</sup> Runner up- Kelly McKenna – Cortland, NY  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner up- Emma Saheed – West Caldwell, NJ  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner up- Alayna Rubach – New Market, MD

#### Novice:

Winner- Victoria Smith – Ravena, NY  
 1<sup>st</sup> Runner up- Kaitlyn Conner – Pottstown, PA  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner up- Julius Park – Phoenixville, PA  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner up- Maren Seul – Portsmouth, NH

#### Intermediate:

Winner- Erin Park – Phoenixville, PA  
 1<sup>st</sup> Runner up- Haley Zorger – Levittown, PA  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Runner up- Victoria Fulforth – Glenside, PA  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Runner up- Madison Sprague – Morrisville, PA

## Eastern Region Dance competitions

Delco Workshop (primary and choreography only)	King of Prussia, PA	February 7, 2009
Essex County Indoor	Caldwell, NJ	March 7, 2009
Celtic Festival of Southern Maryland	Calvert City, MD	April 25, 2009
North Central West Virginia Celtic Festival	Bridgeport, WV	May 2, 2009
Scotia Highland Dance Competition includes Eastern U.S. Closed Championships*	East Greenbush, NY	May 9, 2009
Fair Hill Scottish Games*	Fair Hill, MD	May 16, 2009
Bonnie Brae*	Liberty Corners, NJ	June 6, 2009
McHenry Highland Festival	McHenry, MD	June 6, 2009
Southern New Hampshire Dance Competition	Jaffrey, NH	June 6, 2009
Rhode Island Highland Games	Richmond, RI	June 13, 2009
Round Hill Highland Games	Round Hill, CT	June 27, 2009
Glasgowlands Highland Games*	Northampton, MA	July 18, 2009
Edinboro Highland Games	Edinboro, PA	July 25, 2009
Quechee Scottish Festival	Quechee, VT	August 22, 2009
Capital District Scottish Games includes North Eastern U.S. Championship	Altamont, NY	September 5, 2009

Virginia Scottish Games	Delaplane, VA	September 5, 2009
Ligonier Highland Games	Ligonier, PA	September 12, 2009
New Hampshire Highland Games includes NE Championship	Lincoln, NH	September 19, 2009
Celtic Classic	Bethlehem, PA	September 26, 2009
Scotland Highland Festival	Scotland, CT	October 11, 2009
<i>* indicates a competition used in calculating the Pre-premier Dancing Award</i>		

Please congratulate the following Eastern Region dancers that placed at the United States Inter-Regional Championships, in Denver, Colorado.

Brigid Peyton  
 Maty Ennis 4<sup>th</sup> RU 12 & U 14  
 Megan Shipley 1<sup>st</sup> RU 14 & U 16  
 Hillary Lewis 4<sup>th</sup> RU 14 & U16  
 Caitlin McLean  
 Laura Donlan 2<sup>nd</sup> RU 18 & over  
 Sandra Gribbin 5<sup>th</sup> RU 18 & over

**Attention: Parents of all dancers in the Eastern Region**

You are invited to sponsor our championship dancers throughout the entire Eastern Region. We are looking for donations to defray the cost of purchasing trophies for the Eastern Region Championship held in the Spring. This Championship is the qualifier for the United States Inter-Regional Championship which is being held in Nashville, Tennessee. The proposed cost of these perpetual trophies amounts to \$1500. If you feel that you could participate in rewarding these committed young people in their achievements, please contact Heather Sutherland at [eastregion08@yahoo.com](mailto:eastregion08@yahoo.com).

Someday, the dancer receiving this prestigious award could be yours. Please help by letting the dancers know how proud we are of them.