## CAROLINA DANCE MASTERS, INC.

# **JUNIOR MEMBERSHIP**

# Official Rules and Regulations

The Carolina Dance Masters Junior Division Membership program is an educational program provided for 13-19 year old students of a CDM Member in good standing. (A Member in good standing is one whose dues, fees, and assessments are paid and not under suspension by the Chapter or by the National organization. The member teacher must also have paid their current years dues by September 1, 2011. The CDM Junior Division Co- Directors, Melissa Zaleski and Laura Thornburg will direct the program. **DEADLINE** for Applications is **September 15th, 2011** (post-marked no later than **September, 15th).** 

#### **Membership Requirements**

- 1. Applicant must reach the age of 13 by December 31st of the current year or not exceed the age of 19 by December 31st of the current year.
- 2. Applicant must be a student of a Carolina Dance Masters, Inc. Member in good standing.
- 3. Applicant must be nominated by a Carolina Dance Masters, Inc. Member in good standing.
- 4. Applicant must have completed at least two years of dance training.
- 5. Applicant must submit:
  - a. Completed Application Form
  - b.. An essay explaining why the applicant would like to become a Junior Member and what he/she would like to gain from membership. (**This applies to new members only**.)
  - c. Annual dues of \$40.00 (checks accepted from Member Teachers only and payable to CDM)
  - d. Enclose a photograph or snapshot of the applicant for Junior Membership.
- 6. To remain a Member in good standing, members must attend a minimum of one CDM Junior Member study session and two meetings each year. Meetings shall be held three times annually, in conjunction with Fall Convention, Winter Workshop, and Education Weekend at which time members may participate in workshops in preparation for DMA exams. Workshop topics will include: music theory, choreography, costuming and other dance related subjects.

## The following Membership Benefits apply from November 15, 2011 to November 14, 2012:

- 1. A Junior CDM Membership Certificate and Membership Badge.
- 2. Members shall receive the CDM Newsletter.
- 3. Members shall receive a \$10.00 discount on Fall Convention Fees and a \$5.00 discount on Winter Workshop tuition. (note: first year Junior Members in 2011-2012 will receive their convention discount next year In November 2012. They will receive their Winter Workshop discount in February 2012.)
- 4. Members may purchase Dance Masters of America study manuals to prepare for exams.
- \*\* 5. New members will be announced at the annual Fall Convention. Member applications are due Sept. 15, however, the <u>new Junior Member benefits will not take affect until November 15</u>, 2011—November 14, 2012.
  - 6. Junior Members may participate in an annual drawing for a Tuition Scholarship to be used towards the National Convention or to DMA's Student Honors Intensive Program must be present at the Winter Workshop in February.

#### **Membership Responsibilities**

Members shall aid at annual CDM functions as needed.

1. Junior Members will be required to help at the Convention, Winter Workshop, and Performing Arts Competition where needed.

#### JUNIOR DIVISION CO-DIRECTORS:

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