

The Event Fact Sheet

General Event

When: Friday, April 21, 2023

Where: Chandelier Ballroom, Hartford, WI

Time: 5:00 Doors Open

Ticket Cost: \$85/per person (includes before dinner appetizers, station style dinner, auction participation, dance competition, open dancing).

**These will be available for purchase via the website, or by contacting the CA office.*

**Dancers receive 2 dinner tickets. Tables are available for purchase if you have a group of 8 to accommodate. The more people you can bring to the event the more fun it is!!*

Winning: There are two winners for this event

1. People's Choice Winner – dancer who is able to raise the most amount of money.
2. Technical Winner – dancer who receives the best technical scores from the judges

Attire: General attire for this event is similar to what you would wear to a wedding.

**Dancers will need a dress or suit to wear before the competition.*

Raffle: There will be a Live Auction & raffle that will be open for the event. If you have any businesses that you think would be interested in donating please contact the office. We are always looking for items for our baskets.

Dance Lessons/Dancer Specifics

Fred Astaire: Fred Astaire Dance Studios are very high end studios that are located and owned across the US. Their dancers and staff compete at numerous events throughout the year. When it comes to ballroom they do it the best!

How Fred Astaire Helps CA: The owners at multiple Milwaukee area studios offer 7 free one-on-one lessons to each of our dancers! The instructor you take class with will be your partner for the main event. We could not do our event without them!

**Each dancer is responsible for contacting their Fred Astaire Studio and scheduling their lessons. Let the receptionist know that “you are a dancer for Citizen Advocates Gala” and you would like to set up times for your 7 free lessons.*

**If you want more practice time you can always purchase more classes through Fred Astaire directly.*

**If possible, participate in a dance party, it will give you a chance to practice your dance in front of a group of people.*

**Take someone with you to record your routine. This can be used to promote the event, help with fundraising and help you practice at home.*

Attire for Lessons: Business Casual style clothing is acceptable for lessons, street shoes are discouraged in the classrooms. Something comfortable you can dance in, tighter clothing is better, but most people don't go in sweats!

Shoes - Upstage Footwear will give each dancer a pair of ballroom dance shoes. Coordinate with Stephanie Bicknell stephanie_bicknell@yahoo.com

Event Costumes/Hair/Make-up: The ladies costumes for ballroom dancing are bright and colorful. Men can range from plain black and simple to bright based on the style selected.

-Ladies may be encouraged to wear fishnets (much less expensive online). You will want to buy Capezio Toffee Colored without back seams:

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-Ladies may be encouraged to wear false eyelashes. Buy a pair that is black, long and thick.

-There are also many dresses within the dance region that dancers may lend or rent. As you select your style work with your instructor to get this set. You can also order dresses online for a reasonable price. *If the studio offers you a dress, ask the price before agreeing!

Dance Style Selection: There are many styles to choose from, do your homework before your first lesson on what you feel would be a good fit for you and your level of experience. Please use discretion when you are selecting your music so that the event is enjoyable to all. Dance Styles are listed below:

Hustle/Push Pull

Merengue

Cha Cha

Rumba

East Coast Swing

Salsa/Mambo

Tango

Paso Doble

Fox Trot

Two Step (Country Music)

Samba

West Coast Swing

Waltz

Take someone with you to your lessons to videotape your routine, this will make practicing easier.

Questions??

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Dancer questions - feel free to reach out to one of our former dancers

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