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# JACK AND JILL COMPETITION

RULES



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#### 1. COMPETITION OBJECTIVE

The Jack & Jill competition at Wild Divas 2026 offers a unique chance for dancers of all levels to exhibit their connection, musicality, and improvisation in an exhilarating format. Couples will be randomly paired each round, with no pre-set choreographies, demonstrating their true social dancing skills in bachata.

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#### 2. COMPETITION CATEGORIES

### \*\*COUPLE (PROAM)\*\*

- \*\*Level:\*\* Open Level
- \*\*Prizes:\*\* Total of €1000
  - 1st place: €600 (€300 leader €300 follower)
  - 2nd place: €300 (€150 leader €150 follower)
  - 3rd place: €100 (€50 leader €50 follower)

#### \*\*STYLING BATTLE\*\*

- \*\*Level:\*\* Open Level
- \*\*Prizes:\*\* Total of €1500
  - 1st place: €800
  - 2nd place: €500
  - 3rd place: €200
- \*\*Competition format:\*\* Individual competition with progressive elimination rounds, evaluating technique, creativity, and musicality.

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#### 3. COMPETITION FORMAT

#### \*\*3.1 COUPLE\*\*

- \*\*Preliminary rounds:\*\* Partners change randomly after each song.
- \*\*Semifinals:\*\* Qualified dancers continue with different partners, increasing the challenge.
- \*\*Finals:\*\* Held on a main event night.
- \*\*Round duration:\*\* Each couple dances for 45 to 90 seconds per song.
- \*\*Bachata styles:\*\* Music will include sensual, modern, urban, and traditional bachata.
- \*\*Pairing:\*\* All competitors will be randomly paired in each round.

#### \*\*3.2 STYLING BATTLE\*\*

- \*\*Preliminary Round:\*\* Participants compete individually to randomly selected songs. Judging criteria include musicality, creativity, and technique. Multiple teams will be formed, but the competition remains individual.
- \*\*Semifinals:\*\* Qualified dancers will compete in 1 vs. 1 battles, with direct confrontations allowing each dancer 30-45 seconds per turn.
- \*\*Finals:\*\* Finalists will engage in a last battle with surprise songs, alternating turns and concluding with a free interpretation round.
- \*\*Music:\*\* All songs will be announced on the spot, with various styles and artists to assess adaptability.
- \*\*Judging criteria:\*\* General criteria focusing on flow, technique, creativity, and connection with the music.

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#### 4. JUDGING CRITERIA

- \*\*MUSICALITY:\*\* Ability to interpret the music and adapt to its rhythm changes.
- \*\*CONNECTION AND COMMUNICATION:\*\* Smooth collaboration between Leader and Follower.
- \*\*TECHNIQUE AND MOVEMENT QUALITY:\*\* Precision, fluidity, and cleanliness in execution.
- \*\*DIFFICULTY:\*\* Use of variations, personal style, and responsiveness to partner and music.
- \*\*TIMING:\*\* Ability to stay in time while dancing.
- \*\*STAGE PRESENCE:\*\* Confidence and energy projection on stage.

## 5. REGISTRATION & REQUIREMENTS

- \*\*REGISTRATION DEADLINE:\*\* Until slots are full or the event day.
- \*\*REGISTRATION PROCESS:\*\* Via this link
- \*\*COUPLE & STYLING BATTLE CATEGORIES:\*\* Self-responsibility registration
- \*\*MANDATORY ACCEPTANCE OF COMPETITION RULES AND SIGNING OF A PARTICIPATION CONSENT FORM.\*\*

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#### 6. GENERAL RULES

- \*\*ATTIRE:\*\* Free choice, but appropriate for a competitive event.
- \*\*PRE-SET CHOREOGRAPHIES ARE PROHIBITED.\*\*
  Improvisation and authenticity will be evaluated.
- \*\*LIFTS & ACROBATIC TRICKS:\*\* Allowed only in the Procategory but penalized if executed unsafely.
- \*\*CANCELLATIONS:\*\* No refunds after registration.
- \*\*IMAGE RIGHTS:\*\* Participants agree that audiovisual material may be used for promotion.

#### 8. CONTACT

For questions or additional information, contact us at info@wildivas.com or through our social media channels.

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