



International dance festival-competition „L.I.R.A.” 2026

Date of the event: November 21, 2026

Location: VEF Culture Palace (Ropažu Street 2, Riga)

The aim and tasks of the festival-competition:

- To create the festival-competition that takes place every year for experience exchange promotion among the different types and genre dance collectives and solo dancers.
- To find and support new dancers, solo dancers and dance collectives.
- Exchange of experience and skills among the dance leaders.
- Opportunity to show the dancing skills for every child.
- To strengthen mutual understanding and friendship among children and youngsters from different countries.
- To improve the artistic mastery.

Conditions of the festival-competition:

Forms:

- solo*
- duet*
- trio*

* **ONLY 50 SPOTS** (registration for solo, duet, and trio will close once the limit is reached)

- groups (from 4 people)

Groups of age:

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| - 3-4 years old | - 13-15 years old |
| - 5-6 years old | - 16-20 years old |
| - 7-9 years old | - 20+ |
| - 10-12 years old | - Mix* |

- Participants have to belong to one age group, no more than 10% of the whole group can be of the different age. Organizers can also check documents if they are in doubt about the age of the dancer.
- *The age group of groups and Mix is determined by the average age of the participants.

Attention! If there is insufficient number of participants in the group or nomination, the organizers are eligible to unite them to the next standing group without a warning.

Nominations:

I. CHOREOGRAPHY

- 1. Kids dance** (from 3 years old to 9 years old)
- 2. Stage dance** (show dance, modern dance, contemporary, jazz dance, oriental etc...)
- 3. Folk dance&Scenic folk dance**
- 4. Urban** (street dance, hip-hop, house, cheerleading and other modern dance styles)
- 5. Classical dance&Neoclasical dance**
- 6. High Heels** (blends multiple styles and is characterized by the use of high heels)

ATTENTION! Every collective can perform in several nominations.

II. CIRCUS ART / ORIGINAL GENRE

1. acrobatics
2. clowning
3. gymnastics (sports number)
4. caoutchouc
5. balancing act, juggling
6. show with an object

ATTENTION! Every collective can perform in several nominations.

Financial requirement:

Participation fee	1-st performance	Each subsequent performance
Solo	70 € per person	60 € per person
Duet	65 € per person	55 € per person
Trio	50 € per person	40 € per person
Groups (from 4 people)	25 € per person	18 € per person

Membership fee should be paid by 07.11.2026 in cash or by transfer.

If the participant is not attending the event, the registration fee is not refunded!

Conditions for membership application:

Applying is possible until **28.11.2026** by sending application and multimedia files (audio, video, photo) in the proper format to e-mail: info@festivalorg.net or apply the application form

www.festivalorg.net website and send multimedia files (audio, video, photo) in the proper format to e-mail.

Technical options:

- **Dancing and performances are required to be a maximum of 4:00 min long.**
- **The music/foto/video should be sent to the given e-mail by 28.11.2026**
The file should be in **MP3 format**, the title should consist of the collective's name and the title of the dance (For example, **perlite_flowerdance.mp3**)
- Each participant can use the own video or picture on led-screen as a background and additional visualization during the dancing performance. The title should consist of the collective's name and the title of the dance.

Video Format: MP4 h264, Prores 422, DXV3

Picture: .jpg .png. Size of the picture: Min 1920x1080, Max 3840x2160

Process of the festival-competition and evaluation of the performance:

Criteria of evaluation:

All participants are evaluated by for positions:

- Choreography (idea, originality)- **from 0 to 10 points;**
- Technical performance of the dance (accuracy, synchronicity, complexity)- **from 0 to 10 points;**
- Musicality of the performance- **from 0 to 10 points;**
- Visual appearance /scenic (costume, performance culture, age appropriateness) - **from 0 to 10 points;**

After which the points are summed up to get the average.

Prize fund and awarding:

GRAND PRIX- 200 EUR from FESTIVAL ORG and gifts from partners

The GRAND PRIX is awarded to the dance that received the highest score among all nominations

32-40 points – 1 place

22-31,99 points – 2 place

14-21,99 points – 3 place

8-13,99 points – 4 place

0-7,99 points – 5 place

Attention! During the awards ceremony only the leaders and teachers of the collective with 2 dancers, solo, duet and trio dancers can come up the stage.

All participants will get awarded with places for each performance according to the points obtained. It's acceptable for duplicated places (two of first place, two of second place, etc.), ACCORDING TO THE POINTS OBTAINED. Participants will be awarded with OBTAINED PLACE diplomas, and medals. Letters of thanks to the leaders are awarded. Also, each collective receives ONE commemorative cup of the competition. The jury's decision is final and cannot be changed.

Members of the jury:

Jury consists of competent persons in their professions.

Photo and video:

During the festival-competition there will be professional photographers. The photos will be displayed in the festival-competition website after the event.

The application for the festival-competition **is certification of your approval that photo and video materials, which are taken during the event, can be used in commercial purpose by the organizers.**

Accommodation

Use the **promo code “FESTIVALORG”**, and **get a discount of -25%** for accommodation for Your stay in Riga during the Competition dates (20.11.26-23.11.26).

- Wellton Riverside SPA Hotel- <https://www.wellton.com/en/hotels/wellton-riverside-spa-hotel>
- Wellton Riga Hotel&SPA- <https://www.wellton.com/en/hotels/wellton-riga-hotel-and-spa>
- Rixwell Old Riga Palace Hotel- <https://www.rixwell.com/en/hotels/rixwell-old-riga-palace-hotel>
- Rija VEF- <https://www.rijahotels.com/en/hotels/rija-vef-hotel>

- Bellevue Park Hotel Riga- <https://bellevue.lv/en/>

To get special accommodation rates for the event dates, you need to email reservations at (reservations@bellevue.lv), mentioning the promo code "Festival_Org".

Special conditions:

The inclusion of acrobatic elements in the performance is permissible if they are performed technically correctly, based on the level of physical fitness of the participants and do not endanger their health and safety.

The performance must not include special effects that use chemicals which pose a risk to the health and safety of the participants.

In case of failure to comply with the rules, copyright or choreographer ethics, the performance of the crew could be rejected;

The organizers of the festival-competition are not responsible for the use of works by the contestants in the festival. All property claims, including those of authors and owners of related rights, can be addressed only to the participant of the festival.

Participation in the festival-competition implies the unconditional consent of the participants to all points mentioned above, and also means the participant's consent to the processing, storage and use of personal information (name, age, place of work, place of study, city of residence, personal image or other data sent to the organizing committee) in the technical documentation of the festival on paper and electronic media storage.

The organizing committee has the right to distribute and use videos and photos sent to the festival for advertising purposes.

In case of a large number of participants, the registration can be closed sooner!

Organizer:

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Properties for the membership fee:

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Purpose of the payment: membership fee for the festival-competition "L.I.R.A.", collective (title)