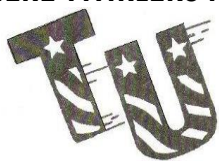


TWIRLING UNLIMITED

“WHERE TWIRLERS MEET”



INTERNATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

(Open to all Twirlers)

JULY 12, 13, 14 2024

Canton Memorial Civic Center

1011 Market Ave. North

Canton, Ohio 44702

Directions:

From the North or South – take I-77 to Exit 107 (Rt. 62). Go east to Rt. 43 (Market Ave). Turn South, go 1.3 miles- Civic Center is on the right.

From East take Rt. 62 to Market Ave. and turn S.

From West take Rt. 62 to Rt. 43 – go north to Civic Center

Featuring:

- SENIOR (18+) Age division for all International individual events!
- TU Traveling Plaques and Cash Awards for FIVE Miss TU World Majorette Pageant divisions!
- TU Traveling Plaques for FIVE International Solo Champions (Trophies for individual age groups)! Scholarship awards for all five divisions!
- Ardash Franck Memorial Scholarships Presentation!
- Specially designed Gold, Silver, Bronze International medals to TU International Solo, Strut, 2 Baton and 3 Baton Champions
- Senior 2 Baton Twirl-Off for Johnson/Heier Scholarship!
- Also featuring International Championships for Pom Teams, Dance Twirl Teams, Strut Teams, Novelty Teams & Twirl Teams
- Giant Traveling trophy for High Point in ALL FOUR Corps divisions!
- Cash Awards for winning Teams and Corps (see inside for specifics)!
- Online Entry option available!

To enter online, view rule book and Twirling Unlimited information, visit our web-site: www.twirlingunlimited.com

CANTON AREA ATTRACTIONS

Pro Football Hall of Fame

MAPS Aviation Museum

Hartville Flea Market & Antiques

Canal Fulton Canal Boat ride

Beech Creek Gardens

First Ladies National Historical Site

Wm. McKinley Presidential Library & Museum

Cuyahoga Valley Scenic Railroad

Amish Country (10 miles)

Canton Classic Car Museum

Harry London Chocolate Factory Tours

Belden Village Shopping

Sky Zone Trampoline park

Canton is

25 miles south of Akron, Ohio

120 miles north of Columbus, Ohio

50 miles from Wild Water Kingdom Waterpark

80 miles west of Pittsburgh, PA

300 miles east of South Bend, IN

360 miles west of Philadelphia, PA

200 miles north of Charleston, WV

60 Miles to Cleveland -Rock and Roll Hall of Fame

Twirling Unlimited makes a special effort to have twirling be a family affair.

We have tried to locate our competitions in areas that will offer attractions for all family members. We believe you will enjoy any of the many activities in the Canton area and encourage you to travel to any of our exciting Regional locations with your family, as well.

2024 REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS

March 16 Leavittsburg, OH

May 25 Millersville, PA

April 6 Ft Wayne, IN

June 1 Monroe, MI

May 4 Charleston, WV

June 2 Corning, NY

Oct/Nov (TBA) - Rittman, OH

Points are earned for the four TU scholarships (which are presented at the Saturday evening show) by participation and placing in the regional and international competitions. Complete scholarship information is available on request or log on to www.twirlingunlimited.com and click on “TU Scholarship Program”.

VISIT OUR VENDORS:

Twirling Unlimited products (*New!* TU t-shirts; also sweatshirts,

College Directory, publications)

Barb’s Baton Bargains

Magnolia Media (portrait and action photography)

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. One of the philosophies of Twirling Unlimited is that there is too much unnecessary publicity by individual twirlers. This results in distrust by the media and a ho-hum attitude on the part of the public when a truly outstanding honor is achieved. In keeping with this, ALL publicity concerning the Twirling Unlimited International Competition will be handled through our headquarters. Each contestant winning an International event, and each group winning an International title will be given official press releases. These are to be submitted to the media - newspapers, televisions, etc. No publicity relating to TU contests is to be submitted in any way other than the official press releases. Failure to comply with this standard will result in rejection of future entries and participation in TU competitions.

2. There is no admission fee for Friday, Saturday or Sunday events! Reg/Gym Fee for solo twirlers covers Friday and Saturday competitions. Former Sunday spectator fees are now incorporated into group entry/reg. fees. No admission charge any day!

3. All Pageant, International and Group entries MUST be accompanied by payment - mail or online entries accepted! Online entries receive automatic confirmation! Phone entries will be accepted for open events only. Anyone who phones in any entry and then does not attend will be charged a \$15 processing fee.

4. Lanes for all International and Open events will be posted. Every effort is made to avoid conflicts, but it is the obligation of each twirler to report to each lane if a conflict arises. No changing of position in International events will be allowed.

5. Awards for all open events will be presented at the awards table as soon as the division is completed. Awards for developmental level pageants and all International Novelty events will be announced at the 6:30 awards on Saturday. Awards for International Solo and Miss TU Majorette will be announced at the Saturday Evening Show.

6. Canton Civic Center, contest director, Twirling Unlimited or contest sponsor are not responsible for accidents, property loss or injuries.

7. In order to be eligible to enter a pageant, a twirler must enter -and compete in - open solo at the same level as their pageant. Advanced twirlers may enter International, Open or both to meet this requirement.

8. Be advised there is a daily charge for parking at the arena. The parking is controlled by a separate vendor, but there is usually a discount offered for purchasing a 3 day parking pass, if you ask.

9. To maximize performance area, NO personal chairs, no equipment and no spectators standing against the wall allowed on arena floor. A special area will be designated for wheelchairs/handicapped seating.

10. ALL Dress Modeling (open and pageant) will be on Friday night at 6:30 pm!

Mail Entry Deadline: Friday, June 7, 2024

Online entry option - Deadline: Wednesday, June 12

Phone and FAX entries for open events ONLY, accepted without a late fee through Wednesday, June 19.

Please Note: All Pageant, International, and Group entries MUST be accompanied by payment and postmarked (USPS) by June 7 or entered online by June 12 to avoid late fee.

NO Pageant, Group or International event entries accepted after June 23 (Not a postmark – we must have information in office by this date!) No Refunds!

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL!

Best Western Plus Inn & Suites
6889 Sunset Strip Ave
Canton, OH 44720

330-497-8799
(Mention Twirling Unlimited “Teams” for special rate)

OTHER INFORMATION:

-Ages for all events (individual and group) are determined by contestant's age the day of the contest!

-All Miss TU World Majorette pageant contestants receive a free portrait photo with their entry fee. Extra copies and packages may be purchased from the photographer. Any individual twirler or group may utilize the photographer's services..

- Miss TU Majorette Individual Music Event competition will be in the main arena on Friday morning. All divisions will have half the arena for performing and the other half will be available for warm-up. Spectators will enjoy the comfortable theater-style seating.

- Miss TU Majorette Competition Solo will be on Friday afternoon in the main arena and will be followed by International Duet Twirl competition.

-2-Baton Twirl Off! Special Johnson/Heier scholarship for Senior 2 baton winner! Twirl-off between the International Champions in the 15-17 and 18+ 2- Baton divisions will be held at the beginning of the 8:00 Evening Show.

- Cash awards for ALL International Solo champions & Miss TU Majorettes!

- ALL dress modeling (open and pageant) will be on Friday night at 6:30 pm! As always, Beg., Int and Miss TU pageant contestants may wear either dress or costume for the modeling event.

Address all correspondence To: TWIRLING UNLIMITED

1000 S Cleveland-Massillon Rd, Ste 105 B
Akron, Ohio 44333

Questions? Call: 330-666-1163 Or e-mail: twirlingunlimited@hotmail.com (no entries accepted by e-mail)

INTERNATIONAL & PAGEANT EVENTS

Note: Beginner (Level 3) & Intermediate (Level 4) twirlers may enter any International events – time limit covers all levels. There is no separate division for Beg. and Int. (These are International titles and are considered multi-status events). *Once a twirler has won any international title, they may not enter that International event in that same age division again.*

MISS TU WORLD MAJORETTE (Separate Senior Age Group!)

(All Miss TU events compete on Friday, July 7; Awards are on Saturday.)
(To be eligible to enter the pageant, twirlers must also enter open solo)

Divisions: 0-8 Tiny Tot 9-11 Juvenile
 12-14 Junior 15-17 Teen 18 + Senior
 Enter division using your age as of the contest date.

A. MODELING (50% Modeling, 50% Interview)

Attire for all divisions: optional dress length OR costume. Time: Max 1½ min.
Model and interview will be held Friday night.

B. COMPETITION SOLO (competition on Friday afternoon)

One baton only - time limit 1½ to 2½ min. Performed to standard twirling music

C. INDIVIDUAL MUSIC EVENT (SHOW ROUTINE or SOLO DANCE TWIRL)

Performed to music of the contestant's choice. Any type of twirl with dance moves are permitted (novelties optional). Time limit: 1½ to 2½ min.

NOTE: All music for Miss TU IM event must be titled with contestant name and submitted by June 23 to: MissTUMusic@gmail.com (Please bring a backup in case of technical difficulties.) (Competition on Friday morning)

Contestants must compete in all 3 aspects of this competition and winner will be determined using equal credit for all 3 parts.

Awards: Participation souvenir & complimentary photo for ALL Miss TU Contestants

-Trophies for 1-5 Overall places; 1-5 medals for model, solo, IM event

-MISS TU WORLD MAJORETTE winners will receive a large trophy, money for savings bond purchase*, TU traveling plaque, banner and flowers

* Senior winner - \$500 Founders scholarship

* Teen winner- \$500 Founders scholarship

* All other age divisions - \$125

INTERNATIONAL SOLO CHAMPIONSHIPS

Time limit: 1½ to 2½ minutes from salute to salute.

Preliminary Divisions – Individual Ages! (boys and girls together):

0-6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20+

The top 2 in each preliminary category will re-twirl for the international title.

Championship Twirl-off Ages: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15 –17, 18 +.

Awards: 1st place trophy in each prelim age. Custom International medals for all finalists. TU Traveling plaque, banner, and cash award for all International Solo Champions.

INTERNATIONAL STRUT CHAMPIONSHIPS – Senior (18+) Age Group!

Divisions: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15-17, 18+. May be done in any pattern (straight line, free style, “T”, super X, etc.) Time limit: 2 minute maximum. Standard March music

INTERNATIONAL TWO-BATON CHAMPIONSHIPS – Special Scholarship!

Divisions: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15-17, 18+. Time limit is 1½ to 2 minutes

INTERNATIONAL THREE-BATON CHAMPIONSHIPS – Senior Age Group!

Divisions: 0 -8, 9-11, 12-14, 15-17, 18+. Time limit is ½ - 2 minutes

INTERNATIONAL DUET TWIRL CHAMPIONSHIPS (Competition is Friday)

Divisions: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+ (avg. ages) Time is 1½ - 2 ½ minutes (march music)

INTERNATIONAL DUET STRUT CHAMPIONSHIPS(Competition is Sunday)

Divisions: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+ (Avg Ages) Time Limit: 1-3 min. Use own music

BEGINNER (Level 3) & INTERMEDIATE (Level 4) PAGEANTS

Note: to be eligible to enter pageant, twirlers must also enter -and compete in- open solo at the same level.

Separate competition for Beginner (Level 3) & Intermediate (Level 4). Level based on solo classification. Age Divisions: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15 & Over

This is a 3-Part competition:

- MODELING** -Friday evening. May be done in a dress of any length OR costume. No specific floor pattern is required. Time limit is 1½ minutes max.
- SOLO TWIRL** - 1½-2 minutes for Beginner (Level 3); 1½ to 2¼ minutes for Intermediate (Level 4). One baton performed to standard twirling music.
- STRUT** - May be done in any pattern (straight line, free style, “T”, super X, etc.) 2 minutes maximum. Standard march music provided.

Points are awarded for placement in each part and then totaled. Lowest score wins Pageant Title.

Awards: All pageant winners in Level 3 & Level 4 Pageants will receive a trophy, banner and flowers, and a full camp scholarship to TU camp of choice.

Special awards for 1st, 2nd, 3rd in Model, Twirl, and Strut.

Overall: 1-3 trophies. 11-14 contestants = 4 places; 15-20 contestants = 5 places.

21 or more contestants: division is split.

BASIC SKILLS PAGEANT (Separate 0-6 Division!)

****Restricted to Level 2 (Novice) & Level 1 (Special Beginner) twirlers ONLY****

Note: to be eligible to enter pageant, twirlers must also compete in open solo at their level

Ages: 0-6, 7-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+. Contestants will compete in Basic March, Costume Model (Best Appearing) & Solo Twirl

Solo Time Limit: 1-2 minutes (twirl restrictions are the same as Level 2 solo)

Awards: 1 - 3 place awards in Basic March, Solo, and Costume Model.

Overall: 1-3 trophies; 11-14 contestants = 4 trophies; 15-20 contestants = 5 trophies. 21 or more contestants = division is split

INTERNATIONAL GROUP COMPETITION

Note: All groups have restrictions for mounts and specifications for each event. For complete rules, log on to www.twirlingunlimited.com and click on "TU Rule Book" Questions? E-mail: twirlingunlimited@hotmail.com

Please Note: All group entries MUST be accompanied by payment and list of participants in each event!

Mail Deadline: Friday, June 7, 2024

Online entry deadline: June 12

After deadline, late fee applies. NO Group entries accepted after June 23 (Information must be RECEIVED in office by 6/23 to be accepted. We are not responsible for USPS delays and please do NOT send entries with a signature required as this tends to delay delivery.)

AGES FOR ALL GROUP EVENTS (Average Age on day of contest):

Pee Wee (0-6.9);
Tiny Tot (7.0-8.9);
Juvenile (9.0-11.9);
Junior (12.0-14.9);
Senior (15.0 & over)

All Corps: Minimum 10 baton twirling members

Street Parade Corps – do a U formation; 2 minute time limit.

Mini Corps – 2 to 4 minute time limit. No formation restrictions.

Floor Corps – time limit is 4 to 8 minutes.

Production/Halftime Group – Minimum 10 members Time limit: 4 – 8 minutes

All Teams: Small (3-5 members); Medium (6-9); Large (10+ members)

Dance Twirl Teams – Use own music; 1 baton each member; Time: 1 ½ - 3 minutes

Twirl Teams - Twirl to standard march music provided by TU. 1 ½ -3 minutes

Strut Teams -Use own music; One baton each member; Time Limit: 1 – 3 min.

Pom Teams - Use own music; Time Limit: 1½ - 3 minutes

Novelty Teams – Use any equipment other than one baton; Time Limit: 1 ½ - 3 min.

* OPEN EVENT: Level 1 Team - Dance Twirl only

For new and developing teams – level of tricks restricted; no member may do more than a 1 turn and 2 elbows; no high toss illusions or high toss with other gymnastic moves underneath. Awards: Level 1 medals for each member!

NOTE: ALL music for team/corps events (except Small and Medium Strut teams) MUST be titled & sent ahead of competition to: TUInternationalMusic@gmail.com Music will be compiled in performance order and played from a laptop directly into Civic Center sound system for all groups in both Arena & McKinley Room.

MUSIC SUBMISSION DEADLINE: JUNE 23

OPEN EVENTS

Note: Entering 2 levels of the same open event is not permitted at Internationals

Beg. Miss Summertime: Ages 0-6, 7-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+; Modeling in a DRESS (length of dress is optional) - time limit is 1½ minutes Max.

Int. & Adv. Miss Summertime: Ages 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15 & over

NOTE: Miss Summertime Dress Model competition is on FRIDAY NIGHT at 6:30.

Novice, Beg., & Int. Fancy Strut: Ages: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15 & over

Adv. Fancy Strut: Ages 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15-17, 18+

No specific pattern required. Time limit is 2 minutes maximum

Beg. Basic March – Ages 0-6, 7-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+; done in a square

Adv. Basic March: Ages 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+

(NOTE: Basic March is the first event on Saturday at 8:00 a.m.!)

SOLOS: *All solos are one baton only, entrance and exit are optional. Timing begins with opening salute and stops with ending salute. Standard twirling music provided.*

NOTE: TU rules limit the number of toss turns and rolls which may be executed by twirlers in the developmental levels of solo twirl. Check TU rules for specifics.

Girls Solo Ages: 0-6, 7-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+

Level 1 (Special Beginner) Solo – Has not won TWO 1st places in solo competition.

Time limit is 1 to 2 minutes. No more than 1 spin/ 2 elbows

Level 2 (Novice) Solo - not won 3 add'l 1st places in solo – Time: 1½ to 2 minutes

No more than 2 spins/ 4 continuous elbows

Level 3 (Beginner) Solo-not won 5 additional first places in solo Time: 1 ½ to 2 min.

No more than 3 spins/ 6 continuous elbows.

Level 4(Intermediate) Solo - not won 8 add'l 1st places in solo Time 1 ½ to 2 ¼ min.

No more than 4 spins/ 8 continuous elbows

Level 5 (Advanced) Solo - Time limit is 2 to 2 ½ minutes. No restrictions

Advanced Solo Ages: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15-17, 18+

Boys/Mens Solo: No restrictions. Ages 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+

Feature Twirler Solo –Open to any twirler age 15+, Time: 1½ -2 ½ min. – standard twirling music – perform 1 baton & novelty; 1 baton minimum of 1 minute

Beg. & Int. Two-Baton: Ages 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15 & over; Time limit: 1½ to 2 min.

(Adv level enters International event)

Beg. Three-Baton: Ages 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15 & over; time limit: ½ - 2 minutes

(Adv level enters International event)

Beginner Duet Twirl – Ages: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+ (avg ages) Time: 1½ to 2 minutes

(Adv level enters International event)

+Open Solo Show Routine – Beg. & Adv divisions! Ages 0-8, 9-11, 12-14, 15+

Use own music –dance with baton & novelty or multiple baton.

Time: Beg. :30-2:00 Adv.: 1½ -2 ½ minutes

+Open Duet Show Routine– Avg. Ages; Use own music, novelties optional 1:30-3:00

+Open Solo Dance Twirl: 0-8, 9-11, 12-14,15+ Use own music, 1 baton only 1:30-2:30

+No entries accepted after 6/23 for these events. These events are all on FRIDAY

+ All of these events are in the McKinley Room. This room has a high ceiling, but a limited width, so high toss "traveling" moves may be restricted. Please plan accordingly.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Friday (Doors open at 8:00)

- 8:30 Registration for Miss TU Majorette contestants
9:00 Main Arena - Individual Music Event for MISS TU WORLD
MAJORETTE Pageant (Show Routine/Solo Dance Twirl)
(check website Thursday before competition for performance order)
9:00 McKinley Room - Open Beg. & Adv. Solo Show Routine (all ages)
Open Solo Dance Twirl (all ages), Duet Show Routine (all ages)
2:00 (approx) Arena: Miss TU Majorette competition solo & International Duet Twirl
6:00 Introduction of all Miss TU Majorette contestants & memento presentation
6:30 Arena: Beg, Int, Adv Miss Summertime (open Dress Model)
Modeling & Interview for MISS TU WORLD MAJORETTE
Modeling for Beginner(Level 3) & Intermediate (Level 4) Pageants

Saturday – Main Arena (Order for Saturday events is approximate) (Doors open at 7:00 a.m)

- 8:00 Beginner & Adv. Open Basic March, Open Level 5(Adv.) Solo, Men's Solo
Basic March for Basic Skills Pageant,
Preliminaries for INTERNATIONAL SOLO
Costume Model for Basic Skills Pageant
Level 3 (Beg.) and Level 4 (Interm.) Open Solo
Solo Twirl for Beginner (level 3) & Intermediate (level 4) Pageants

Beg. & Int. Open Two-Baton & Beg. Open Three-Baton
INTERNATIONAL SOLO TWIRL-OFFS
INTERNATIONAL THREE BATON
INTERNATIONAL TWO BATON

Open Level 1 (Special Beginner) and Level 2 (Novice) Solo
Open Feature Twirler Solo
Solo Twirl for Basic Skills Pageant

Open Novice, Beg., Int. & Adv. Strut
INTERNATIONAL STRUT
Strut for Beginner (Level 3) & Intermediate(Level 4) Pageants
Beg. Open Duet Twirl

6:30 Performance by reigning Teen and Senior Miss TU Majorettes
(approx.) Results for Basic Skills, Beg. (Level 3) & Int. (Level 4) pageants;
Results for International Novelties: Strut, Two-Baton,
Three-Baton, and Duet Twirl

8:00 **EVENING SHOW – Main Arena**
2 Baton Twirl-off for Johnson/Heier Scholarship
TU Scholarship winners Announced
Announcement of TU International Solo Champions &
Miss TU World Majorettes & Ardath Franck Memorial Scholarships

SCHEDULE FOR GROUPS – Sunday

- In order to make the competition as efficient as possible, all PeeWee, Tiny Tot and small Juvenile Dance Twirl teams will compete in the McKinley room. ALL divisions of Level 1 Teams, all small and medium Pom & Novelty teams will also compete in the McKinley room. The McKinley room is a large area, but it is not as large as the main arena and it has standard double doors for access, so please plan props and routines accordingly.
- 3rd performing area! All Small & Medium Strut Teams will compete in the plaza area of the adjacent Cultural Center – attached to the Civic Center by covered walkway. Note that spread width has some restrictions and surface is a smooth cement. Please plan routines accordingly.

MAIN ARENA (Doors open at 7:00 a.m.)

Note: order may be adjusted after entries received

- 8:00 Dance Twirl Teams (Med. & Large Juvenile, All Junior & Senior)
Juv, Jr, Sr Large Pom, All Large Novelty, All Large Strut Teams
Med. & Large Juv., All Jr & Sr Twirl Teams
Awards
Parade Corps, Mini Corps, Floor Corps; Production Groups
Corps Awards

McKINLEY ROOM (order may be adjusted after entries received)

Note: The McKinley Room is a smaller floor area and has double doors to access.

Please plan props and routines accordingly.

- 8:00 All Level 1 Teams
All PeeWee, All Tiny Tot and Small Juvenile Dance Twirl Teams
All PeeWee, All Tiny Tot Poms & Juv, Jr & Sr Small & Med. Pom Teams
All PeeWee, All Tiny Tot and Small Juvenile Twirl Teams
All Small & Medium Novelty Teams

CULTURAL CENTER PLAZA

(begins at the same time as Corps in Arena) Small & Med. Strut Teams, Duet Strut

GROUP AWARDS

Large Trophy and individual medallions for 1st place Groups;
2 – 15 place: Medallions for each individual

TRAVELING CORPS AWARDS:

Giant Traveling Trophy for High Point Corps in each of the four Corps types!

CASH AWARDS (CORPS):

Juvenile, Junior & Senior Parade Corps winning 1st place will receive \$100 cash
Juvenile, Junior & Senior Production Groups winning 1st place will receive \$150 cash
Juvenile, Junior & Senior Mini Corps winning 1st place will receive \$150 cash
Juvenile, Junior & Senior Floor Corps winning 1st place will receive \$200 cash

CASH AWARDS (TEAMS): Juvenile, Junior & Senior age teams

(small, medium & large sizes of Dance Twirl, Strut, Pom and Novelty)
will receive \$50 if they win 1st place.

(Note: Level 1 Teams not eligible for cash awards)

