

Heartland SWING FESTIVAL

March 31 - April 3, 2016 | Des Moines, IA

The Des Moines Swing Dance Scene is excited to host the battle for the Cutters' Cup at the Heartland Swing Festival. The event continues to grow and evolve and we hope it does so in the spirit of a fun and friendly contest. This is the fourth year that scholarships will be awarded to eligible swing dance teams. Dancers from 20 States and three countries have been represented at previous CJC competitions and we are excited to see this number grow by offering the CJC500 Team Scholarship.

The funds for this scholarship were made possible by the passion and hard work of the members of the Heartland Swing Festival (HSF) Committee. They are committed to supporting their peers in their pursuit to grow as dancers and promoters of Swing dance and Jazz music. Only US Amateur teams outside a 500 mile radius of Des Moines, IA are eligible to apply for the annual \$500 scholarship. Special consideration will be given to collegiate teams. The scholarship must be used to defray HSF costs (registration and lodging) in the team's initial year.

The ideal CJC500 Team scholarship winner will be one who has put forth effort to promote vintage swing dancing, shown leadership in their swing dance scene, and makes the growth of swing dance awareness and education a priority.

Policy for Team Scholarship

- Consideration will only be given to Teams located outside a 500 mile radius of Des Moines, IA
- All members of Team applicants must have amateur status. (visit website for team eligibility requirements)
- Applicants must intend to compete in CJC Team Competition.
- A Scholarship Acceptance Agreement will be signed.
- If chosen as a recipient of this scholarship, your team agrees to support and promote the HSF and the Collegiate Jitterbug Championships among both present and prospective students.

- The HSF Committee would have the final approval for a Team's request.
- Approval of scholarship funds insures a spot in the Cutters' Cup Team Competition.
- Applicant will be notified by email by the HSF Committee Chair upon approval.
- Scholarship renewals will only be considered after a period of no less than three years from the original scholarship

Instructions

1. Download applications from the Heartland Swing Festival website at: www.HeartlandSwingFestival.com or send a request to: info@heartlandswingfestival.com to have one emailed to you.
2. Answer all essay questions
3. Include materials that show examples of your team as a leader in promoting vintage swing dance. (fliers, newspaper articles or links)
4. **Completed applications are due in the Heartland Swing Festival office or received by email by February 15th, 2016.**

CJC500 Team Scholarship Application

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Team Name: _____ School/Organization: _____

Team Contact: _____ Phone: _____

E--Mail Address: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Number of members on Team : _____

Leaders' Names:

Followers' Names:

Has your team competed at previous Collegiate Jitterbug Championships? _____

When? _____

Mail Application to: Email Application to:

*All information on applications is completely confidential.

*Scholarship applications **must be submitted before February 15th, 2016** to be considered for Heartland Swing Festival March 31st – April 3rd, 2016.

I certify that all the statements and information provided in this application are true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Signature

Date

Heartland Swing Festival
P.O. Box 4023
St. Paul, MN 55104

HSF Committee Chair
info@heartlandswingfestival.com

Please answer the following essay questions

(insert your answers after each question, limit each response to 100 words or fewer) :

1. Please share your team purpose, goals and aspirations.

2. Why do you want to attend the Collegiate Jitterbug Championships?

3. What activities is your team involved with that helps promote swing dancing?

4. List all notable achievements

5. Include links to team performances and/or demonstrations