

## **Auditions for Highland & Step dancers**

The Amethyst Scottish Dancers are an exciting and talented performance dance group. We have been entertaining audiences worldwide since 1985.

The troupe is comprised of highly - trained highland and step dancers, aged 9-25, who blend traditional and contemporary choreography to give audiences an exciting taste of Nova Scotia's vibrant Scottish culture.

Over the years, we have entertained Royalty, cruise ship passengers and countless others at conventions, cultural events and many performances throughout Nova Scotia and beyond. The troupe has recently returned from a highly successful trip to Toronto, where they performed fantastically on the International Stage at the CNE.

Elizabeth McCorkell instructs the highland dancers and is the Artistic Director of the troupe. Cindy Penney instructs the step dancers and works alongside Elizabeth to create exciting choreographies for our performances.

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Date: Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2016 Time: 2 – 3pm Location: Bedford-Hammonds Plains Community Rec Centre, Innovation Road, Bedford (adjacent to CP Allen High School)

**Junior Highland Troupe:** dancers age 9-12 (by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016) who have reached Intermediate level or equivalent with knowledge of all Traditional and National dances.

**Senior Highland Troupe:** dancers age 13-25 (by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016) who have reached Premier level or equivalent with knowledge of all Traditional and National dances.

**Step dance Troupe:** dancers age 10-25 (by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2016) with a minimum of three full years of step dancing lessons. Musicality, presentation and clarity of beats will be very important.

If you are successful at audition, you are expected to stay afterwards to attend a 1.5 hour introductory class. There is a \$5 audition fee, payable on the day.

All Amethyst dancers are required to attend weekly Highland or Step dance classes, in addition to attending regular Amethyst rehearsals, that take place on Sunday afternoons.

Please complete an audition form and email to <a href="mailto:amethystdancersns@gmail.com">amethystdancersns@gmail.com</a> if you are interested in joining this exciting performance dance troupe. Please forward any questions regarding the auditions and schedule to Amethyst when you return your Audition Form by email.