



OFFICIAL APPLICATION

Eighteenth Annual

David A. Walker Memorial

DOUBLE DUTCH HOLIDAY CLASSIC™ '09

Official Double Dutch Sport & Fusion Freestyle Competition

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19TH, 2009

1:00 PM - 4:00 PM

WORLD FAMOUS - APOLLO THEATER

253 West 125th Street

Manhattan, New York City, USA

The Double Dutch Holiday Classic™ is scheduled to be held at the historic Apollo Theater, Manhattan, New York on **Saturday, December 19th, 2009**. This is an international open competition. If you wish to have your team/s entered in this competition, please read the informational materials and complete the required registration forms, including the release/waiver.

Pre-registration of each team is required for participation. **THERE IS A REGISTRATION FEE.**

\$70.00 for each Singles Team, \$80.00 for each Doubles Team, and \$90.00 additional for ANY Fusion Team. A select number of teams will be invited to this important international competition.

Completed applications with registration fees payable to **NATIONAL DOUBLE DUTCH LEAGUE, Inc., must be received by Monday, November 16th, 2009.** Any applications received after the deadline will incur a late fee of \$10 per team, and may not be accepted, depending on the number of teams already registered.

Cancellation & Refund Policy: NDDL will offer a full refund to any cancellation requests received in writing before November 16th, 2009. **NO refunds will be made after Monday, November 16, 2009, for ANY reason including: bad weather, transportation delays, late arrivals, early departures, dismissals, time conflicts, illness, prior injuries or injuries that occur at the event..**

For team registration, group tickets, and all other information, please call Lauren Walker at (212) 865-9606 or (813) 961-4009

For media, please call Jim Greene at (212) 360-5583

For event tickets, call the Apollo Theater Box Office at (212) 531-5306

E-mail: Lauren@NationalDoubleDutchLeague.com Website: www.NDDL.org

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Double Dutch Holiday Classic™ 1992 by David A. Walker

RULES & GUIDELINES

DOUBLE DUTCH HOLIDAY CLASSIC™

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FORMS OF COMPETITION

THE DOUBLE DUTCH HOLIDAY CLASSIC™ is divided in two events or segments, with separate competition formats for the two distinct forms or categories of Double Dutch competition.

1) **STANDARD SPEED & COMPULSORY.** Each and every team entering the Speed & Compulsory event is obliged to execute: (a) **Standard Compulsory Test** and (b) **Standard 2 Minute Speed Test.** The scores from each of the two standard tests will be combined to determine first through eighth place positions.

2) **FUSION.** Teams in the Sixth grade through Open Division categories can register for the Novice or Advanced FUSION competition categories. Teams registered for the **FUSION** categories can also compete in the Standard Compulsory and Speed test categories. But, their speed test or compulsory test score WILL NOT be combined with their Fusion test score. Novice and Advanced Fusion tests are judged and scored independently.

A **SINGLES FUSION TEAM** is made up of no less than THREE team members and no more than FIVE team members.

A **DOUBLES FUSION TEAM** is made up of no less than FOUR team members and no more than SIX team members.

In FUSION however, Singles and Doubles are judged or awarded separately. Awards go to 1st – 8th place FUSION, in both Novice & Advanced divisions, regardless of the size of the team. It is therefore in your best interest to bring the number of team members that you think will best help you accomplish your finest performance!

CATEGORY DIVISIONS

TEAM REGISTRATION CATERGORIES – STANDARD COMPETITION

<u>GRADE</u>	<u>CATEGORIES</u>	<u>NO. OF TEAMS ALLOWED</u>
4/5 th Grades	Singles and Doubles	8 Singles & 8 Doubles
6 th Grade	Singles and Doubles	8 Singles & 8 Doubles
7 th Grade	Singles and Doubles	8 Singles & 8 Doubles
8 th /Open	Singles and Doubles	8 Singles & 8 Doubles
Novice Fusion	Singles OR Doubles	8 Teams Only
Advanced Fusion	Singles OR Doubles	12 Teams Only

Who can be a member of a Novice Fusion Team? 6th and 7th Grade Team Members.
Who can be a member of an Advanced Fusion Team? 7th Grade Team Members and above.

The Team registration and fees are as follows: \$70.00 for each Singles Team, \$80.00 for each Doubles Team and, \$90.00 additional for ANY Fusion Team. Team registration forms and fees MUST be paid no later than Monday, November 16, 2009. A late fee of \$10.00 per team will be charged for registration after Monday, November 16, 2009.

DOUBLE DUTCH HOLIDAY CLASSIC™ AWARDS – Y'09



4TH THROUGH OPEN GRADE DIVISIONS [Singles and Doubles Teams]

1ST PLACE: Trophies, Commemorative T-Shirts and other sponsor prizes

2ND THROUGH 3RD PLACES: Trophies, Commemorative T-Shirts

4TH THROUGH 8TH PLACES: Medals, and Commemorative T-Shirts

NOVICE FUSION TEAMS [Eight Novice Teams]

1ST PLACE: Trophies, Commemorative T-Shirts and other sponsor prizes

2ND THROUGH 3RD PLACES: Trophies, Commemorative T-Shirts

4TH THROUGH 8TH PLACES: Medals, and Commemorative T-Shirts

ADVANCED FUSION TEAMS [Eight Advanced Teams]

1ST PLACE: "BEST OF SHOW": David Walker Memorial 'Best of Show' Championship Cup, Trophies, Commemorative T-Shirts, Championship Jackets, and other sponsor prizes

2ND THROUGH 3RD PLACES: Trophies, Commemorative T-Shirts

4TH THROUGH 12TH PLACES: Medals, and Commemorative T-Shirts

*SPECIAL TEAM LEADER TRAINING AWARDS

[A special development award for the Advanced Fusion Coach/Team leader*]

Advanced Fusion Team – "Best of Show" Team Training Scholarship Award	\$1000.00
Advanced Fusion Team – 2 nd Place Team Training Scholarship Award	\$ 500.00
Advanced Fusion Team – 3 rd Place Team Training Scholarship Award	\$ 250.00
Highest DOUBLES Team Speed Score [8 th / Open] – Team Leader Award	\$ 300.00
Highest SINGLES Team Speed Score [8 th /Open] – Team Leader Award	\$ 250.00
Highest DOUBLES Team Speed Score [7 th Grade] – Team Leader Award	\$ 200.00
Highest SINGLES Team Speed Score [7 th Grade] – Team Leader Award	\$ 150.00
Highest DOUBLES Team Speed Score [6 th Grade] – Team Leader Award	\$ 100.00
Highest SINGLES Team Speed Score [6 th Grade] – Team Leader Award	\$ 100.00
Highest SINGLES Team Speed [4 th & 5 th Grades] – Team Leader Award	\$100.00
Highest DOUBLES Team Speed [4 th & 5 th Grades] – Team Leader Award	\$100.00

*Please Note – The Special Team Leader Awards are payable to the team leader for (1) training programs (2) uniform costs or (3) transportation-or-meal costs.

FUSION MUSIC REQUIREMENTS

Music for Fusion routine entries should be submitted on CD. Please label the jewel case or sleeve, and the disc itself with the name of the team, coach, and whether it is for Novice or Advanced Fusion. There should be only one musical selection on each CD. Coaches entering more than one team in Fusion should submit a separate CD for each team. Please submit CDs along with your application & fees! Music containing foul language is not permitted.

HOLIDAY CLASSIC™ FAQ's

WHAT KIND OF ROPE CAN WE USE? The only type of rope allowed is *Official Double Dutch Rope™*. In the Standard Speed & Compulsory events, *Singles Teams* must use *Singles Ropes* (12 feet), and *Doubles Teams* must use *Doubles Ropes* (14 feet). **In the Fusion events, teams may use either *Singles* or *Doubles Official Double Dutch Rope™*, but may not use any other rope or any other length.** If you need Official Double Dutch Rope™, it can be purchased from the NDDL website at www.nddl.org/Store/ropes

WHAT IS A FUSION ROUTINE? A Fusion Routine is a standard Double Dutch Free Style routine performed with the accompaniment of music.

WHAT KIND OF MUSIC CAN WE USE IN FUSION? Any type of music may be used in a Fusion routine. However, foul language is not permissible. Any team using music containing foul language will be automatically disqualified, and may be removed from the stage during their presentation. **International contestants should be especially careful to make sure they know the meaning of the English words in their music!** **Even if foul language is not noticed right away, if it is detected at a later time (during a video review for example), the team may still be disqualified, and may be required to relinquish any prizes or awards they may have won. In this case, any awards won will go to the next highest scoring team.*

CAN WE USE PROPS IN FUSION? Items that can be held, carried, or worn such as flags, fans, hats, pom-poms, sports equipment, etc. are allowed. Freestanding props such as chairs, stools, ladders, etc. are not allowed. A team may not use any type of item/s that can cause injury to any team member or members of the audience. Firecrackers or any other type of flammable material are clearly prohibited. Please call if you have any question regarding permissible use of props.

OUR TEAM HAS MORE THAN SIX PEOPLE – CAN WE ENTER THE FUSION COMPETITION? No, the limit is six people on a team for Novice and Advanced Fusion. You should reduce your team to six members in order to qualify to compete.

WE ARE AN ALL-MALE TEAM, WE HAVE NO GIRLS - CAN WE ENTER THE FUSION COMPETITION? No, at the moment, NDDL regulations require that at least one female must be on each team.

HOW LONG SHOULD A FUSION ROUTINE BE? All Fusion routines should be no longer than 3 minutes in duration. Judges will allow a few seconds leeway, but at 4 minutes, the team will be asked to leave the stage.

HOW IS A FUSION ROUTINE JUDGED? A panel of renowned judges with expertise in various related disciplines (e.g. dance, music, theater/staging, gymnastics, Double Dutch), rate the Fusion performances. The NDDL, its staff and officials, including speed judges, have no influence or involvement in the judging of the FUSION Competition. The official fusion judges look at how a team presents and executes the stunts within their routine that must be accompanied by music. Each routine is rated on a scale of 1-10 in the following categories:

1. **TECHNICAL DIFFICULTY** Overall difficulty of the routine & its components
Note: stunts performed outside of the ropes are not judged in this category!
2. **EXECUTION & ACCURACY** Number of mistakes
Note: stunts performed outside of the ropes are not judged in this category!
3. **ARTISTIC PRESENTATION** Artistic use of stage presentation, choreography & dance movements.
4. **PERCENTAGE OF ROUTINE (INCLUDING TRICKS & STUNTS) PERFORMED WITHIN-OR-THROUGH THE MOVING ROPES.** The more that is done within the ropes, the higher the score; the more that is done *outside* of the ropes, the lower the score.
5. **OVERALL PREPARATION AND PERFORMANCE** Overall impression of the whole routine
The total score for each team is added up, and placements are awarded based on the highest numerical score

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OFFICIAL TEAM REGISTRATION DOUBLE DUTCH HOLIDAY CLASSIC™

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TEAM INFORMATION

Team Name: _____ Grade/Division: _____

Coach / Team Leader: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country/Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Singles []

Doubles []

Novice Fusion []

Advanced Fusion []

TEAM MEMBERS INFORMATION

(1) Member Name: _____ (2) Member Name: _____

(3) Member Name: _____ (4) Member Name: _____

(5) Member Name: _____ (6) Member Name: _____

PAYMENT INFORMATION

\$70 / Singles Team [# ____] \$80 / Doubles Team [# ____] \$90 / Fusion Team [# ____] \$10 Late fee (After 11/16/09) [# ____]

Amount of enclosed Check: \$ _____ ▶ Payable to **National Double Dutch League, Inc.** (*\$30 returned check fee)

Pay by Credit Card Visa Master Card Discover American Express

Credit Card # _____

Expiration Date [mm/yy] ____/____

Security Code _____ (On the back of your card, locate the final 3 digit number; Amex, final 4 digit number on front of the card)
Required for your safety and security

Card Holder Name _____

Billing Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone [must be same as billing address] _____ - _____ - _____ (for verification purposes only)

Card Holder Signature _____



Return this form along with signed Permission/Waiver forms & Fusion music by Monday, November 16, 2009, By:

MAIL
National Double Dutch League
c/o Lauren Walker
888 Grand Concourse, Suite 6i
Bronx, NY 10451

ONLINE
www.NDDL.org/HolidayClassic.htm
(credit cards accepted online)

PARENT/GUARDIAN PERMISSION WAIVER

I hereby give permission for my child/charge to compete at the Double Dutch Holiday Classic™ '09, scheduled for Saturday, December 19th 2009 at the Apollo Theater, in Manhattan, New York City, USA. In allowing my child/charge to compete in the Double Dutch event, I, the undersigned parent or guardian agree to and hereby indemnify and save harmless the National Double Dutch League, its employees, volunteers, directors, sponsors, suppliers, and facilities, including the International Double Dutch Federation, Con Edison, The Apollo Theater and the Apollo Theater Foundation, and all representatives or their agents. I also grant the NDDL permission to use any photographs, likeness drawings, or video of me/my child for publicity and/or promotion purposes. I have read the Official 2009 Holiday Classic Rules and Guidelines packet and agree to its terms and conditions.

Name of minor child: _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____ Date: _____

ADULT (over 18) PERMISSION WAIVER

I certify that I am over 18 years of age and hereby authorize the directors and agents of the National Double Dutch League to act in my behalf using their best judgment in any emergency, including medical emergency. I hereby waive and release the National Double Dutch League, its employees, volunteers, directors, sponsors, suppliers, and facilities from any and all liability for illness or injury incurred while attending the 18th Annual Double Dutch Holiday Classic. I know of no mental or physical problems that might adversely affect my ability to participate in this event. I hereby grant NDDL permission to use any photographs or video of me/my team for promotional purposes. I have read the Official 2009 Holiday Classic Rules and Guidelines packet and agree to its terms and conditions including the refund policy.

Team Members Signatures:

1. _____ Date _____ 2. _____ Date _____

3. _____ Date _____ 4. _____ Date _____

5. _____ Date _____ 6. _____ Date _____

-OR-

Team Leader Signature:

Name: _____ Date: _____

ADDITIONAL TEAM INFORMATION / REQUESTS

TEAM MEMBERS INFORMATION

- (1) Member Name: _____ Gender: M F T-Shirt Size: S M L XL
- (2) Member Name: _____ Gender: M F T-Shirt Size: S M L XL
- (3) Member Name: _____ Gender: M F T-Shirt Size: S M L XL
- (4) Member Name: _____ Gender: M F T-Shirt Size: S M L XL
- (5) Member Name: _____ Gender: M F T-Shirt Size: S M L XL
- (6) Member Name: _____ Gender: M F T-Shirt Size: S M L XL

T-Shirts are Adult Sizes

LODGING REQUEST

Teams travelling from out-of-town **may** be eligible for discount or free lodging & meals. Please indicate your interest below. If you are located more than four hours away from New York City, please check all options you are applying for.

My team is interested in receiving FREE lodging: My team is interested in receiving DISCOUNT lodging:

If you are not eligible for free lodging, we will consider you for discount lodging, if you indicate your desire to accept that by checking above.

Number of nights requested: Friday Saturday Number of people requiring lodging: _____

Please indicate the types of accommodations you are willing to accept. The more options you check, the greater your chances of receiving lodging assistance.

My team will accept any type of FREE lodging: My team will accept any type of DISCOUNT lodging:

Youth Hostel - multiple beds or bunks per room, shared bathroom:

Budget Hotel - 2 to 4 beds per room, semi-private bath:

Quality Hotel - two beds per room, private bath:

MEAL REQUEST

All teams who are awarded lodging will receive a meal package consisting of free and discount offerings. Even if you do not require lodging, all teams may be eligible to receive free or discount meals. Please indicate your interest below.

My team is interested in receiving FREE meals: My team is interested in receiving DISCOUNT meals:

Our meals are donated by numerous local restaurants and the cuisine offered will be a variety - Thai, Indian, Mexican, etc. If you do not think your team will enjoy these types of food, please be courteous and DON'T check above so we can give these limited offerings to others who truly need/want them.

My team is only interested in fast-food (McDonalds, Burger King, etc.) coupons:

TEAM FUSION ROUTINE VIDEO REQUEST

Teams may pre-order DVD video/s of their own FUSION performance only, at a cost of \$15 each. We are not making videos of speed & compulsory contests available at this time. Please indicate your request below.

My team would like a DVD(s) of their 2009 FUSION routine: \$15 / DVD [# ____] Format: NTSC (USA, Japan) PAL (Europe)