



APPLICATION FOR THE JAMES L. MCKENZIE AWARD

Each applicant must complete and submit this application form and letter of recommendation (from the current teacher of the applicant) by **April 15th of the current year.**

Scan and email application form and letter of recommendation in **PDF** format to your Provincial Committee Member:

Please see list of Provincial Committee members at end for address.

CRITERIA FOR JAMES L MCKENZIE SCHOLARSHIP

- Award is open to any Premier dancer registered with ScotDance Canada who is in good standing.
- All candidates must submit via a YouTube link, a video of performing a 6 step Tribute to J. L. McKenzie and must be in full highland kilt competition attire. For instructions on how to do so, please see: <https://www.graphitas.co.uk/blog/how-to-upload-an-unlisted-video-to-youtube/>
- All videos will be reviewed by eligible Independent Members of ScotDance Canada. Candidates must demonstrate the dance correctly. Failure to do so will eliminate the candidate's eligibility for the current year.
- The award money should be used to further highland dance commitment (e.g.: attending workshops, travelling to competitions, highland dance instruction, new dance outfits, etc)
- Candidates must demonstrate on their application how they have contributed to their community as a result of their dancing and other associated pursuits.
- There should be quality in the candidate's application, i.e. Candidates must show that they have spent time thinking about their application, taking time to put their thoughts into words that clearly detail their experience and commitment, and are appropriate for their age.
- They must show how highland dance has had an impact on their life.
- There should be evidence that the candidates took time to research Mr. McKenzie and to find out who he was.
- Applications are to be sent by email to the Provincial Committee Member for your province. Each application is to be in a *single* PDF document and application must be complete, including letter from instructor.
- The number of age groups will be determined on a yearly basis, therefore the scholarship amount will be based upon these groups.
- Any dancer, who has previously won as per the official scholarship list, is not eligible. This list can be viewed at Scotdance.ca
- Incomplete applications will not be eligible for consideration.

Provincial Committee Members:

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PART 1 of 2

Applicant's Name: _____

Address: _____
Number Street

City Province Postal Code

Email: _____ Tel. No. : _____

ScotDance Registration No.: _____ Age: _____

Teacher's Name: _____

Address: _____
Number Street

City Province Postal Code

Email: _____ Tel. No. : _____

ScotDance Membership No.: _____

Teacher's Signature: _____ Date: _____

YouTube link to view demonstration of the Tribute to JL McKenzie: _____

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The following questions MUST be completed by the applicant and may be completed on a separate page:

1. Tell us about yourself including such details as to how you (or your Parents) became interested in Highland Dancing, the number of years you have been dancing, the number of years you have been competing, and the greatest honour bestowed upon you as a result of your participation in Highland Dancing.
2. Why do you think that you are a good candidate for this Award and how would you utilize the Award?
3. Mr McKenzie was very dedicated to the art of Highland Dancing. Tell us about an experience you have had that shows how much Highland Dancing means to you.
4. Everyone faces challenges in their life. Tell us about a situation or event in your life where the skills that you have developed through Highland Dancing helped you to overcome an obstacle.
5. Who was James L. McKenzie?