



# National Championships 2010

*Headliners...offering more than just a trophy*

- Overall Cash awards presented in 4 age divisions
- SIX college scholarships awarded totaling \$174,000!
- McDonald Selznick Agency awards representation to Headliners dancers

Headliners National Championships took place in Providence, Rhode Island July 2-7 and hosted 1800 dancers performing in more than 1300 entries. Competitive events took place at the Rhode Island Convention Center and Master classes were available throughout the week. Special guests included Lucille DiCampi, Director of top dance agency, McDonald Selznick, Evan Kasprzak from "So You Think You Can Dance" and Joshua Horner, dance director for Disneyland. The Nationals culminated in the Platinum Circle Championships and the Oscar style Awards Banquet and Party. Congratulations to the following for your overall achievements!!

## **NATIONAL TITLE WINNERS**

Petite Miss Headliner – Riley Rienert, New Hampshire School of Ballet, NH  
 Junior Miss Headliner – Jade Cloud, New England Dance Centers, MA  
 Junior Mister Headliner – Nick Gessner, Let's Dance Studio, RI  
 Teen Miss Headliner – Amanda Ayo, Patricia Penenori Dance Center, FL  
 Teen Mister Headliner – Joshua Burrage, New England Dance Centers, MA  
 Miss Headliner – Melissa Bagnoli, The Dance Connection, CT  
 Mister Headliner – Shawn Lesniak, The Dance Connection, CT

## **CHILDRENS DIVISION – AGES 9 & UNDER**

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| SOLOS                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> – Lilyana Milici   | The Nothingest Girl In The World | The Dance Connection       |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Cecilia Toner    | All Wound Up                     | Walker's Dance             |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Alyssa Barton    | I'm A Star                       | Academy of Dance Arts      |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup> – Chloe Lang       | Veruca Salt                      | The Dance Connection       |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup> – Emma DeCaprio    | Positoovity                      | Academy of Dance Arts      |
|                         | 6 <sup>th</sup> – Riley Rienert    | I'm A Brass Band                 | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 7 <sup>th</sup> – Madeline Elkes   | Miss What's Her name             | Academy of Dance Arts      |
|                         | 8 <sup>th</sup> – Katherine Jacobs | Stand Out                        | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 9 <sup>th</sup> – Alex Burghardt   | Staying Alive                    | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 10 <sup>th</sup> – Sara Ross       | Fairy Dust                       | The Studio School of Dance |
| DUO/TRIO                | 1 <sup>st</sup>                    | Me & My Shadow                   | The Dance Connection       |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                    | Fugue                            | Walker's Dance             |
| GROUPS<br>(4-9 dancers) | 1 <sup>st</sup>                    | Let's Hear It for the Boy        | Let's Dance Studio         |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                    | I Wish That                      | Academy of Dance Arts      |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                    | Trouble                          | The Studio School of Dance |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup>                    | The Entertainers                 | NH School of Ballet        |
| LINE/CLASS              | 1 <sup>st</sup>                    | Singular Sensation               | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                    | Swing The Farm                   | The Dance Connection       |

(Due to the limited number of Lines and Classes in the Children's division, the categories were combined in order to offer cash scholarships and awards)

## **JUNIOR DIVISION – AGES 10-12**

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| SOLOS                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> – Jade Cloud         | City Lights                   | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Skylar Rienert     | Woe Is Me                     | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Kristen Murphy     | Clingwrap                     | Broadway Dance Center      |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup> – Jennifer Murphy    | Meadowlark                    | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup> – Chloe Abbott       | Prayer                        | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 6 <sup>th</sup> – Sydney Majka       | Dream                         | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 7 <sup>th</sup> – Taylor Walker      | My Girl                       | Walker's Dance             |
|                         | 8 <sup>th</sup> – Brighton Landroche | I Want To Go To Hollywood     | Let's Dance Studio         |
|                         | 9 <sup>th</sup> – Rylee Jackson      | Everything Is Coming Up Roses | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 10 <sup>th</sup> – Ashton Waldron    | Meadowlark                    | The Dance Connection       |
| DUO/TRIO                | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | Cirque                        | Rising Stars Dance Academy |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | A Stud and A Babe             | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Good Morning                  | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup>                      | Jump Jive Wail                | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup>                      | Comptine                      | NH School of Ballet        |
| GROUP<br>(4-9 dancers)  | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | It's Raining Men              | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Old Friends                   | Dance Fusion               |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Circle of Life                | New England Dance Centers  |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup>                      | Yellow                        | NH School of Ballet        |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup>                      | So Bored                      | Walker's Dance             |
| LINE<br>(10-16 dancers) | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | Shine                         | Academy of Dance Arts      |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Entertain Us                  | Walker's Dance             |
| CLASS<br>(17+ dancer)   | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | Shel                          | Walker's Dance             |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Be Our Guest                  | New England Dance Centers  |

## **TEEN DIVISION – AGES 13-15**

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| SOLOS                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> – Dana Mazurowski    | Ondes Estas                 | NH School of Ballet           |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Taylor Darwin      | Yellow                      | Walker's Dance                |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Christina Morrison | The Freshman                | Walker's Dance                |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup> – Kelsey Bennett     | Snow                        | Patti Eisenhower Dance Center |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup> – Stephanie Avtgis   | Can't Help                  | Walker's Dance                |
|                         | 6 <sup>th</sup> – Tyler Roberts      | A Change Is Gonna Come      | The Dance Connection          |
|                         | 7 <sup>th</sup> – Catie Leasca       | Forsaken                    | Betty Gundersen Studio/Dance  |
|                         | 8 <sup>th</sup> – Maisy Lang         | Send In the Clowns          | The Dance Connection          |
|                         | 9 <sup>th</sup> – Colby Hyland       | Turning Away                | Charlotte Klein Dance Centers |
|                         | 10 <sup>th</sup> – Kyra Sheehan      | A Different Grey            | Walker's Dance                |
| DUO/TRIO                | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | We Still Have Time          | New England Dance Centers     |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Mack The Knife              | The Dance Connection          |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Take A Look Through My Eyes | Charlotte Klein Dance Centers |
|                         | tie                                  | Everything Old Is New Again |                               |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup>                      | Raise The Roof              | New England Dance Centers     |
| 5 <sup>th</sup>         | We Enter                             | Academy of Dance Arts       |                               |
| GROUP<br>(4-9 dancers)  | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | Unchained Melody            | NH School of Ballet           |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Elephants                   | Dance Fusion                  |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Me & My Shadow              | Rosemary's School of Dance    |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup>                      | String Quintet              | NH School of Ballet           |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup>                      | Last Dance                  | New England Dance Centers     |
| LINE<br>(10-16 dancers) | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | Mad Rush                    | Walker's Dance                |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Unchained Melody            | Betty Gundersen Studio/Dance  |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                      | Dance At The Gym            | Walker's Dance                |
| CLASS<br>(17+ dancer)   | 1 <sup>st</sup>                      | Fosse Medley                | New England Dance Centers     |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                      | Heel To Sole                | Paula Meola Dance & Perf Arts |

## **SENIOR DIVISION – AGES 16 & OVER**

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| SOLOS                   | 1 <sup>st</sup> – Victoria Machin | Crazy For You  | The Studio School of Dance          |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup> – Brittany Walker | (R)Evolve  | Walker's Dance                      |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Cynthia Huang   | Black And Blue   | Walker's Dance                      |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup> – Lauren Curley   | All Of Me  | Walker's Dance                      |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup> – Nicole Baker    | Misunderstood  | Paula Meola Dance & Perf Arts       |
|                         | 6 <sup>th</sup> – Melissa Bagnoli | Nature Boy   | The Dance Connection                |
|                         | 7 <sup>th</sup> – Mikala Kane     | Sunny Side of The Street                                     | Betty Gundersen Studio/Dance        |
|                         | 8 <sup>th</sup> – Mally Fox       | The Meadow   | Patti Eisenhower Dance Center       |
|                         | 9 <sup>th</sup> – Sam Quinn       | Perfectly Frank  | Charlotte Klein Dance Centers       |
|                         | 10 <sup>th</sup> – Erica Barton   | I've Got The World On A String/<br>If You Hadn't But You Did | Academy of Dance Arts               |
| DUO/TRIO                | 1 <sup>st</sup>                   | Mystical Beings  | Paula Meola Dance & Performing Arts |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                   | The Freshman   | Rosemary's School of Dance          |
|                         | 3 <sup>rd</sup>                   | Clair De Lune  | Patti Eisenhower Dance Center       |
|                         | 4 <sup>th</sup>                   | Baroque  | Walker's Dance                      |
|                         | 5 <sup>th</sup>                   | Winter Song  | Patti Eisenhower Dance Center       |
| GROUP<br>(4-9 dancers)  | 1 <sup>st</sup>                   | Asylum   | The Dance Connection                |
|                         | 2 <sup>nd</sup>                   | Voices Within  | Betty Gundersen Studio of Dance     |
| LINE<br>(10-16 dancers) | 1 <sup>st</sup>                   | Arizona 1941   | Charlotte Klein Dance Centers       |

## **HIGH SCORE PRODUCTION**

Mad Rush - Walker's Dance

## **AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE**

Two performances that stood out regardless of the score achieved. Each dancer received a cash award of \$250.

Nick Burrage - New England Dance Centers

Brittany Walker - Walker's Dance

## **JUNIOR WORKSHOP SCHOLARSHIP**

Sarah Ross – The Studio School of Dance

## **SENIOR WORKSHOP SCHOLARSHIP**

Catie Leasca - Betty Gundersen Studio of Dance

## **CHOREOGRAPHER OF THE YEAR** - Jaclyn Walsh, Walker's Dance

At every awards ceremony the judges nominated routines and their choreographers. More than 20 choreographers were recognized at the Awards Banquet.

## **PLATINUM CIRCLE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

All entries that receive a total score of 565 (94+ average or higher) at Nationals is awarded placement into the Platinum Circle Championships held at the end of the week. 61 routines earned placement. Previous scores of all routines are not considered and the entire judging panel ranks and then selects the top ten nominees. The top three routines are awarded the \$5000 CASH PRIZE!

Platinum Circle Winner – Mad Rush, Walker's Dance - \$3000

2<sup>ND</sup> – Me & My Shadow, The Dance Connection - \$1500

3<sup>RD</sup> – Catie Leasca, Betty Gundersen Studio of Dance - \$500

## **AUDITION WITH MCDONALD SELZNICK ASSOCIATES AGENCY**

Headliners offers an audition workshop with a casting director at Nationals every year. Lucille DiCampli of McDonald Selznick Agency in New York (represents Mia Michaels, Wade Robson, etc.) ran the workshop and audition.

The dancer that most successfully passed the audition was: Skylar Rienert, New Hampshire School of Ballet - \$250 scholarship

In addition Ms. DiCampli offered immediate representation to the following dancers:

Melissa Bagnoli, Nicole Baker, Erica Barton, Taylor Darwin, Cynthia Huang, Shawn Lesniak, Victoria Machin, Tyler Roberts, Brittany Walker

**2010 HEADLINER DANCERS** – At the audition workshop the following were selected (out of 200 dancers) as the Headliners dancers for 2010 and performed an opening number routine (choreographed by Evan Kasprzak from “So You Think You Can Dance”) at the Awards Banquet.

Savannah Petruzello  
MacKenzie Rogers  
Brianna Roland  
Katelan Donnelly  
Nicole Baker  
Tyler Roberts  
William Villups  
Frank Leone  
Alicia Burghardt  
Travis Mcalpine

Melissa Bagnoli  
Josh Burrage  
Melanie Ostiguy  
Nicole Quinn  
Shawn Lesniak  
Skylar Rienert  
Britnee Hay  
Gabriela Cruz  
Taylor Walker  
Krystal Delisle

Jade Cloud  
Rylee Jackson  
Catie Leasca  
Sam Quinn  
Simone Gundersen  
Dana Mazurowski  
Erica Barton  
Shaina Walton  
Jade Genga

**DEAN SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS**

Headliners is the only US competition that provides college scholarships to students pursuing a degree in dance. Dean College, located in Massachusetts, offers degrees in either dance performance or dance administration and provided SIX scholarships to dancers based on performance, class and written essay. Jean Wenzel, Headliners judge and instructor at the Dean College School of Dance, and Joan Palladino, Founder and Dean of the Dean School of Dance, presented the awards. Congratulations to:

\$16,000 annual award – Rachel Winkler from Cranston, RI and Britnee Hay from Warwick, RI  
\$14,500 annual award – Erica Barton from Ossining, NY and Gabriela Cruz from Cranston, RI  
\$13,000 annual award – Rebecca Sandridge from Simsbury, CT and Anastasia Alward from Millville, MA