

**SAVE THESE DATES - MAY 22-26, 2013**

**USA DANCE ANNOUNCES JUNIOR II AND YOUTH WORLD TEAM DANCE CAMP  
PLANNED AT U.S. OLYMPIC TRAINING CENTER, LAKE PLACID, NY**

Lydia Scardina, President of USA Dance, has announced that USA Dance will sponsor a DanceSport training camp for Junior II and Youth World Team members on May 22-26, 2013 at the U.S. Olympic Training Center in Lake Placid, New York.

The purpose of this elite dance camp is to begin to develop and better prepare America's top junior and youth DanceSport athletes as they get ready to enter the adult ranks and compete to become America's future adult DanceSport champions.

"USA Dance considers this to be an investment in America's DanceSport youth that will produce improving results for the U.S. in world competitions as these young athletes continue to develop," said President Scardina. As a member of the Multi Sport Organizations Council of the USOC, USA Dance is being given access to the state-of-the-art facilities at the Lake Placid Olympic Training Center.

Coaches will be invited to attend the camp with their athletes, and all will be housed in the Olympic dormitory and will have their meals in the Olympic cafeteria. The camp will include workshops in nutrition, conditioning, injury prevention and sports psychology, and will be taught by USOC staff at the Lake Placid Training Center. There will also be ample time in the schedule for athletes to work with their coaches. The program will conclude with the athletes performing their routines in a DanceSport demonstration for the staff of the Training Center and the Olympic athletes who train there year round.

USA Dance launched a donation campaign last year in order to defray the costs of this program, and a number of USA Dance chapters, members and supporters have contributed generously. Remaining monies will come from the USA Dance Athlete Development Fund, allowing USA Dance to fund the costs of travel, housing and meals for athletes and their coaches.

Junior II and Youth DanceSport athletes will be chosen for this important development program based on their results in the USA Dance 2013 National DanceSport Championships in Los Angeles, April 5-7.

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