

NEW-Rural Dance Apprentice Instructor Development Training Initiative

AUDA has identified the need to support the succession of experienced Ukrainian dance instructors in rural Alberta. The knowledge held by these experienced Ukrainian dance instructors must be passed on to the next wave of dance instructors as this new wave moves on to become future leaders of Ukrainian dance development in rural Alberta.

AUDA is pleased to undertake a 3-year commitment (Ending Dec. 31st, 2023 with a review for continuance.) to undertake up to 5 rural community development incentives annually, up to a maximum amount of \$1,500 each, to our members in Alberta to support rural dance apprentice instructor development training.

AUDA will partner with members to support the **Rural Dance Apprentice Instructor Development Initiative** that best fits AUDA's goals of developing Alberta's Ukrainian Canadian heritage dance in population centres in Alberta outside of the major urban centres of Calgary and Edmonton, including their adjoining communities – those within approximately 25 kilometers.

Application Process

There is no “fill in the blanks” application. Ukrainian dance schools, their primary instructor/apprentice mentor, and the apprentice instructor, that are all AUDA members, will write their own joint case for financial support. This case for support, including an implementation schedule and a budget, will be submitted by the dance school and should not exceed four pages excluding attachments such as resumes. The duration of the instructor apprenticeship cannot exceed nine months.

The application budget for the apprentice and instructor wages line items must include:

1. AUDA support of \$15/hr. to be paid to the Apprentice Instructor plus \$5/hr. to be paid to the Primary Mentorship Instructor. ($\$15 \times \text{number of hours} = Y$, $\$5 \times \text{number of hours} = Z$)
2. Dance School Applicant will provide minimum support of \$5/hr. for the same number of hours to the Apprentice Instructor (in addition to AUDA's \$15) as part of the school's commitment to instructor development. This means the Apprentice Instructor will receive a minimum of \$20/hr. (Note: The Apprentice Instructor cannot be a dancer, dancer parent, or anyone with a direct link to the applicant Ukrainian dance school.)

The dance school applicant will pay the Apprentice Instructor and the Primary Mentorship Instructor from funds received from AUDA.

First deadline for receipt of case for support applications is September 15th, 2020 for Rural Dance Instructor Apprenticeships starting in fall 2020. The expectation is to have the adjudication of applications completed by the second week in October. Second deadline for case for support applications is December 15, 2020 (based upon available funding). The deadline days will remain the same going forward.

Application Assessment

The written case for support applications will be juried by one member of the AUDA board and two external jurors. All successful member applicants will complete a final report to AUDA on their chosen Apprentice Instructor's development.

If a successful application cannot be completed as approved, the applicant must make a new application at the next deadline.