To our future competitors:

Thank you for joining Mandala in launching our first annual High School Dance Competition in the Chicago land area. We are look forward to see what you can bring to the dance floor!

Mandala is a vibrant new non-profit organization whose mission is to connect Chicago with the arts of South Asia. Our unique approach and performances expand the public's exposure to and knowledge of Asian culture. Our modern interpretation of ancient classical art forms brings to life cultures from across the region, from Persia to Indonesia.

The theme for this year’s inaugural dance competition is Bollywood! Mandala wants to recognize the raw and superior talent of young performers and provide exposure to what might be, for some, a new dance form. We also want to provide experience performing on a large-scale platform and bring your school the opportunity to compete, make new friends, and perhaps bring home a victory!

We ask that all dance groups upload a video of their dance to our Facebook group, “Mandala's High School Indian Bollywood Competition,” by September 25th. We will select five groups to perform their routine at a local arts venue.

Following the performance, we will invite one team to perform at the McDonald’s Thanksgiving Parade in downtown Chicago on the morning of November 25th, Thanksgiving Day.

This is a fantastic experience to perform for over 400,000 people and to share South Asian dance culture with your community! Transportation and costumes are all provided by Mandala.

Please join us in making this competition a success! If you have any questions or technical difficulties, please feel free to reach out to us at ashchennat@gmail.com.

Yours Sincerely,
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Program Coordinator