

NEW Guidelines for dancers Drummers and Patrons
For 3rd Friday Showcases at Rotana Restaurant

September 19 2016

RSVP, Music, Dancer check-in In order for everyone to have a great dining experience - Please have your guests RSVP with AZITA so the restaurant can prepare with adequate STAFF and prep- food. Dancers please include yourself a seat to sit with your guests. First RSVP's get the front rows. You can RSVP 30 days in advance. Last day to RSVP is Tuesday the week of 3rd Friday. If you didn't RSVP – we will seat you as close as we can to the dancers.

Limited dance spots. RSVP prior to guarantee your dance spot. RSVP's. Dancer/music check-in is at 630pm. RSVP by Text or call Azita to see if there is an available dance spot.

** Each dancer will have 1 dance spot with a maximum of 8 minutes total to perform. You are encouraged to use more than 1 piece of music. For example 2 different songs that total 8 minutes. Or 3 songs that do not exceed a total of 8 minutes. At least one song has to be bellydance music. Your second song may be fusion if you so desire. ABSOLUTELY NO profanity and must be family friendly music.

Troupe and duets will have 10 minutes. If you're in a troupe or duet performance and you wish to do a solo- you will need to wait until all the dancers/troupes have danced at least once before you can perform again.

If you did not RSVP - You can take your chances and just drop in but there is no guarantee you will have a solo spot. Everyone can dance during the Drum circles.

To RSVP seating and dance spots: TEXT or call Azita's Cell 602-471-1075
or email : azita@bellydance4me.com

Attire:

Rotana is a classy restaurant yet relaxed. Patron's Suggested Attire: business casual.

Dancers - Costumes:

Dancers-- this is a family restaurant. Please choose a FAMILY friendly **COSTUME** and wear a cover up when not dancing. Street clothing and jeans are not a costume. Anyone from my studio MUST wear a **COSTUME** that has been approved by AZITA.

Drummers- wear appropriate attire -this is a restaurant -not the ren fair or a pirate ship. BTW- Always love to see a sharp dressed man that smells good.

MUSIC: You can use belly dance/fusion **music** –no profanity or racial slurs & family friendly. (8 min max for solo). **YOU** must make your performance music mistake proof. You can also request LIVE Drumming for your solo/performance.

IPODS & MP3's – Preferred -Bring your music in mp3 format with an auxiliary cord port. **YOU** have to know how to use them. I will only press play. If you're using multiple tracks - Record your songs as one track.

PHONE users: put your phone on AIRPLANE MODE so the next incoming call or text doesn't interrupt your music.

CD music– the only music that should be on the CD is the music you're dancing to in the correct order. Using several tracks – record as one track so the CD/ PC can't jump to the next track accidentally.

Mind Your Manners:

If you made an RSVP & decide not to dance- be professional and courteous **CALL** me or **TEXT** me and tell me.

DO NOT walk across the stage when someone else is dancing – or behind them. It's rude and disrespectful.

DO NOT DANCE when someone else is dancing. This includes on the patio.

DO NOT DRUM to dancers music unless you ask the dancer or vice versa. This is NOT a drum circle. This is Bellydance4me Showcase - if you don't like my rules get your own show.

Trash talk- not tolerated. This showcase & my studio are about coming together to celebrate life through the spirit of dance & friendship- to make our hearts smile and to feel like we belong to something special. It's so disheartening the way the dance community behaves towards each other. I simply will not allow trash talk and unbecoming behavior –If anyone decides to participate in this behavior- you will be asked to leave and I will post to FB why you were asked to leave.

Please show your appreciation to the staff at Rotana's for hosting our event. In order to be able to continue to use this venue we need to make it a cost-effective experience for Rotana. Dancing & leaving is not acceptable.

A special EVENT menu is used on 3rd Fridays to better accommodate our guests. It's very difficult to serve off the BIG menu for 80 plus people all at once. Should you order something other than the Special- please know that it will take longer to get your order because Rotana makes all their food fresh.

DJ area- this is Azita's area, her assistant Jenn and the next dancer. Drinks and electronics don't mix. So please do not have drinks around the sound equipment or electronics.