

		ATUSA 2026 FESTIVAL SCHEDULE		
THURSDAY, MAY 21				
Time	Pugliese Ballroom		D'Arienzo Ballroom	
4.15 – 5.30p	WELCOME CLASS with Martina & Alex SOLD OUT Intermediate-Advance Tango Level - Traditional Tango: Milongueros sequences and “enrosques”		WELCOME CLASS with Lorena & Gastón SOLD OUT All Tango Levels - Walking like the best! From the tradition to the evolution of the technique	
Time	Piazzolla Ballroom			
6.00 – 7.45p	COMPETITION STARTS : Presentation of the Official Judges Competition DJ Rainier Pereira (“Ray”) Qualifying Round for Salon Tango Senior Category 1st Qualifying Round for Tango de Pista & Stage Tango Official categories			
8.45 – 2.30a	Grand Opening Milonga DJ Rainier Pereira (“Ray”) 10.45 pm Announcement of Salon Tango Senior Finalists 11.00 pm Presentation & Group Demo by the FESTIVAL MAESTROS			
FRIDAY, MAY 22				
Time	Pugliese Ballroom	D’Arienzo Ballroom	Di Sarli Ballroom	Piazzolla Ballroom
10.30 – 11.45a	Intermediate TANGO Martina & Alex Melodic orchestras: "Lápices" & "planeos" in “molinetes” with paradas and embellishments	All Levels TANGO Lorena & Gastón Synchronization for a real connection	Inter/Advanced TANGO Yesica & Ariel Elasticity in the Embrace	N/A
12.00 – 1.15p	Intermediate TANGO Carlita & Jesus Power & Flow: walks, sacadas & turns	All Levels MILONGA Yesica & Ariel Start dancing Milonga, step development	Advanced TANGO Lorena & Gastón Make “Giros” powerful for both sides	N/A
2.30 – 3.45p	Intermediate TECHNIQUE Yesica & Ariel “Sacadas” movements for Lead & Follow	All Levels VALS Carlita & Jesus Musicality and simple movements for Vals	Advanced TANGO Martina & Alex Ganchos and Social tango Sequences	N/A
4.00p	4.00 – 7.00pm MATINEE MILONGA DJ Kostas Aretos	N/A	N/A	N/A
Piazzolla BALLROOM - Doors open for competition spectator audience at 5:15 pm				
5.30 – 8.15p	5.30 pm COMPETITION STARTS DJ Rainier Pereira (“Ray”) 1st Qualifying Round for Vals and Milonga Final Round for Salon Tango Senior 2nd Qualifying Round for Official Tango de Pista & Stage Tango			
9.00p – 2.30a	BLACK & WHITE FRIDAY MILONGA with Special Performance by Maestros Yesica & Ariel : DJ Ashvin 10.30 pm Coronation of the Salon Tango Senior Champions and Announcement of Semifinalists for Official Categories: Vals and Milonga			
SATURDAY, MAY 23				
Time	Pugliese Ballroom	D’Arienzo Ballroom	Di Sarli Ballroom	Piazzolla Ballroom
9.45 – 10.45a	N/A	N/A	9.45 - 10.45 am FREE STRETCHING for ALL attendees	N/A
11.00 – 12.15p	Inter/Advanced VALS Martina & Alex CLOSED FOR LEADERS Musicality, change direction-Sacadas Cadenas	All Levels TECHNIQUE Carlita & Jesus Walking, ochos and Leading ochos: dynamics, technique, and exercises	Advanced TANGO Yesica & Ariel CLOSED FOR FOLLOWERS Speed Changes in Body Movement	N/A
12.30 – 1.45p	Inter/Advance MILONGA Lorena & Gastón CLOSED FOR FOLLOWERS Cadence, rhythm and traspie	Intermediate Tango Patricio & Eva Working on Creativity: how to create steps for improvisation.	All Levels TANGO Martina & Alex Embrace: Connect with partner 100% to achieve harmony in the couple and dance	Advanced TANGO Carlita & Jesus Fantasy Tango: dynamic sequences full of colgadas, sacadas, playful improvisation
2.30 – 3.45p	Inter/Advanced Carlita & Jesus Advanced “ganchos” for both roles	CHACARERA for everybody Yesica & Ariel Steps & Alternatives: “zapateos” & “zarandeos”	Intermediate TANGO Martina & Alex “Barridas”: concept, lead, and execution applied in sequences	Advanced TANGO Lorena & Gastón CLOSED FOR FOLLOWERS Deep spirals in close embrace
4.00 – 5.15p	Inter/Advanced TANGO Carlita & Jesus CLOSED FOR FOLLOWERS Shift energy, speed & mood in embrace.	Intermediate Tango Patricio & Eva Linear movements & changes in embrace	All Levels TANGO Yesicia & Ariel CLOSED FOR LEADERS “Enrosques” for both and embellishments	DJ Workshop by RAMU PYREDDY (in TROILO Ballroom) \$35 cash at door.
5.30p	5:30 – 8.00 pm MATINEE MILONGA DJ Ramu	N/A	N/A	N/A
Piazzolla BALLROOM – Doors open for competition spectator audience at 5:45 pm				
6.00 – 8.15p	6.00 pm COMPETITION STARTS DJ Rainier Pereira (“Ray”) Preliminary Rounds for the Salon Tango Pro-am category Semifinal rounds for Vals and Milonga Categories Semifinal Round for Tango de Pista and Stage Tango Official categories			
9.00p – 2.30a	GALA MILONGA - Dress to Impress! DJ Kostas 10.15 pm Announcement of Finalists for Salon Tango Pro–Am, Vals and Milonga + Tango de Pista and Stage Tango (Official Categories) 10.45 pm LIVE MUSIC by TANGO BARDO ORCHESTRA (first set) 11.45 pm MAIN MASTERS SHOW! 12.30 am LIVE MUSIC by TANGO BARDO ORCHESTRA (second set)			
SUNDAY, MAY 24				
Time	Pugliese Ballroom	D’Arienzo Ballroom	Di Sarli Ballroom	Piazzolla Ballroom
9.45 – 10.45a	N/A	N/A	9.45 - 10.45 am FREE STRETCHING for ALL attendees	N/A
11.00 – 12.15p	Intermediate Tango Lorena & Gastón CLOSED FOR FOLLOWERS “Giro”/turn: structure and mechanics	All Levels TANGO Carlita & Jesus Technique for Followers + Embellishments	Advanced TANGO Martina & Alex Voleos timing; lead in close embrace. Combinations. How to apply them socially	Inter/Advanced VALS Patricio & Eva Connected, complex Vals movements
12.30 – 1.45p	Inter/Advanced MILONGA Martina & Alex Lisa and Traspie: rhythmic combinations and playfulness	Inter/Advance TANGO Carlita & Jesus Structures for interpreting musical variations	All Levels TECHNIQUE Yesica & Ariel Fundamental Basic Principles: axis, dissociation, pivot	Intermediate TANGO Lorena & Gastón CLOSED FOR FOLLOWERS Musicality: Legato & Staccato usage
2.00 – 3.15p	Interm/ Advanced TANGO Patricio & Eva CLOSED FOR FOLLOWERS “Enrosques” , “Lápices” and “agujas”	Intermediate Tango Yesica & Ariel CLOSED FOR LEADERS Interpretation of rhythmical orchestras	Advanced Tango Lorena & Gastón Sacadas for experts!	N/A
3.30 – 6.00p	3:30 – 6.00 pm MATINEE MILONGA DJ Olga	3.30 – 4.30 pm Musicality Workshop - TANGO BARDO \$45 Cash at Door	N/A	N/A
Piazzolla BALLROOM – Doors open for competition spectator audience at 5:45 pm				
6.00 – 9.00p	COMPETITION GRAND FINAL DJ Rainier Pereira (“Ray”) “So, you think you can Tango?” Final Rounds: Salon Tango Pro–Am, Vals, Milonga + Official Tango de Pista and Stage Tango 8.30 pm AWARDS CEREMONY: Coronation of “So, you think you can Tango?” + Salon Tango Pro–Am, Vals, Milonga USA Champions Coronation of the Official USA Tango de Pista and Stage Tango Champions			
9.00 – 2.30a	FAREWELL MILONGA DJ RAMU 10.30 pm LIVE MUSIC by TANGO BARDO ORCHESTRA (first set) 11.15 pm FAREWELL MASTER SHOW 12.00 am LIVE MUSIC by TANGO BARDO ORCHESTRA (second set)			
MONDAY, MAY 25				
Time	Piazzolla BALLROOM – Doors open for Milonga 12:45 pm			
1.00 – 5.00p	“AFTERGLOW” MATINEE MILONGA (end of event) DJs: Ashvin & Kostas!			