Traditional Dance

Seen at Northern Pow Wows

Features traditional regalia of cloth or leather, with traditional design and materials. Dancers perform with precise, highly controlled movement.

Buckskin and Cloth Dance

A traditional dance from the South. The name refers to the type of material from which the dress is made. The regalia is similar to the Northern traditional dance; however, in the South, buckskin and cloth dancers are judged in separate categories. The dance steps are the same for both regalia categories.

Fancy Shawl Dance

Women wear long, usually fringed, brightly colored and decorated shawls, and perform rapid spins and elaborate dance steps.

Jingle Dress Dance

Healing Dance

The jingle dress includes a skirt with hundreds of small tin cones that make noise as the dancer moves with light footwork danced close to ground.