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U.S. Pole Dance Federation Championship 2010

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March 19th, 2010 marked the second annual U.S. Pole Dance Federation Championship in New York City.

here: Mina, Alethea. The top five USPDF winners will be sent to America's Got Talent for producer's consideration.

The USPDF, founded and run by Wendy Traskos and Anna Grundstrom, held preliminary competitions in the past year to determine their twelve pro division finalists.

The compulsory round is reminiscent of gymnastic floor routine competitions -- something you might see in the Olympics. So with all the recent hype surrounding various pole dance organizations' efforts to get pole dance approved as an Olympic sport, I asked Grundstrom if this was a goal for the USPDF.

In conjunction with the USPDF's competitive events, they also host workshops and panel discussions. This weekend's workshops featured classes from Australia's top pole dancer Allegra, USPDF judge Brook Notary and current winner Alethea Austin.

Visit www.uspdf.com for more information on the organization.

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